

FORTY-THIRD DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,
Wednesday, March 10, 1909.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment, Lieutenant Governor A. B. Davidson presiding.

Roll call, quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Adams.	Paulus.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Brachfield.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of McLennan.
Kellie.	Thomas.
Masterson.	Ward.
Mayfield.	Watson.
Meachum.	Weinert.
Murray.	Willacy.

Absent.

Bryan.	Veale.
Hume.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. H. M. Sears.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, on motion of Senator Cofer, the same was dispensed with.

There being no bills and resolutions, the Chair declared the morning call concluded.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

(By unanimous consent after morning call was concluded.)

By Senator Hudspeth:

Senate bill No. 321, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Robert Lee Independent School District, in Coke county, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

By Senator Hudspeth:

Senate bill No. 322, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Bronte Independent School District, in Coke county, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time, and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 604.

Senator Watson called up, by unanimous consent, House bill No. 604, for Senator Perkins, who was absent.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 604, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend the city charter of the city of Greenville."

On motion of Senator Watson, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Adams.	Paulus.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Brachfield.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Thomas.
Kellie.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.
Murray.	

Absent.

Bryan.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hume.	Veale.
Masterson.	Ward.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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On motion of Senator Watson, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Watson, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Adams.	Paulus.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Brachfield.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of McLennan.
Kellie.	Thomas.
Mayfield.	Watson.
Meachum.	Weinert.
Murray.	Willacy.

Absent.

Bryan.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Veale.
Hume.	Ward.
Masterson.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Adams.	Paulus.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Brachfield.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of McLennan.
Kellie.	Thomas.
Mayfield.	Watson.
Meachum.	Weinert.
Murray.	Willacy.

Absent.

Bryan.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Veale.
Hume.	Ward.
Masterson.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Watson moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

FIRST HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, March 9, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

House bill No. 562, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Henrietta Independent School District, in Clay county, Texas, defining its boundaries, providing for a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district; investing said district with the rights, powers, privileges and duties of a town or village incorporated for free school purposes only under the general laws, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 552, A bill to be entitled "An Act to incorporate Lake Victor

School District in Burnet county, an Independent District; fixing the boundaries thereof, and to provide for the election of trustees, regulating their duties, raising revenue by taxation, issuing bonds and maintaining public schools therein, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 558, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 2 of the special road law for Mills county, Chapter 41, entitled 'An Act to create a more efficient road system for Mills county, Texas, and making the commissioners of said court ex-officio road commissioners in the respective precincts, and providing for the appointment of deputies, defining the powers and duties of the commissioners court with reference to roads and bridges; providing for the appointment of road overseers and defining their duties, and providing for and fixing their compensation for certain labor; providing penalties for the violations of this act, giving persons subject to road duty in Mills county and persons summoned to work on the public roads of said county the right to be relieved from the discharge of such duty upon the payment of specific sums of money herein stipulated, and providing for the accounting for and the disposition to be made of the money so paid, providing that delinquent poll taxpayers shall be subject to three days' road duty, requiring the tax collector of Mills county to furnish to the commissioners court a list of all persons who fail to pay their poll tax; providing for the compensation of road commissioners; providing for the amount of compensation in road time to be allowed by overseers to road hands for teams and road work; providing further, for ordering an election to be held in Mills county by the qualified property taxpaying voters to determine whether or not an additional ad valorem tax for road and bridge purposes shall be levied and collected in said county, also giving the commissioners court the power to establish, change, improve or discontinue public roads with or without petition and notice as the circumstances may be, and providing that this act shall control in Mills county in all cases wherein it differs or is in conflict with the general laws on this subject of roads, and making this act cumulative, and declaring an emergency,' as passed by the Thirtieth Legislature, so as to hereafter read as follows, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 573, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 4 of an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city

of Waco, and to define its boundaries and powers, passed by the Twenty-first Legislature, and approved February 19, 1899. Said Section 4, having been amended by Section 1 of an act passed by the Twenty-fifth Legislature, Chapter 3, page 7, Special Laws of Texas, 1897, and by Section 7, page 219, Chapter 25, Special Laws, 1905, and said Section 4, as amended is here now amended by changing the number of officers and the method of their election, and fixing salaries of some of them, and generally prescribing their duties and powers, and this act further amending said Act of 1889 by amending and re-enacting Section 3 of an act passed by the Twenty-ninth Legislature, and approved March 30, 1905, and further amended by an act passed by the Thirty-first Legislature, and approved day of, 1909, all this act relating to the municipal government of the city of Waco, which said Section 3 begins on page 213 and ends on page 215 of the Special Laws of Texas, 1905, and is amendatory of said Act of 1889, with its amendments, and declaring an emergency," with engrossed rider.

House bill No. 559, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Palmer Independent School District in Ellis county, Texas, defining its boundaries, providing for the election of a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district, investing said district with the rights, powers, privileges and duties of a town or village incorporated for free school purposes only under the general laws, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 563, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating Carlton Independent School District, in Hamilton county, Texas, and defining its boundaries; providing for the election of a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district; defining the title to school property in said district, naming fiscal year as to the taxes; investing the said district with all the powers, rights and duties of independent school districts formed for free school purposes only, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 564, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Deport Independent School District, in Lamar county, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing for the election of a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district; investing said district with the rights, powers, privileges and duties of a town

or village incorporated for free school purposes only under the general laws, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 580, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for the counties of Newton, Jasper and Sabine, composing the Twentieth Representative District of Texas, and making the county commissioners of said counties ex-officio road commissioners, and prescribing their duties as such, and providing for their compensation as such road commissioners; and providing for the working of county convicts on the public roads of said counties; and providing for the compensation in road time to be allowed by the overseers to road hands for teams and road work; and providing for the condemnation of them for public road purposes; and providing further, that this law be cumulative of the general laws of the State of Texas, and in case of conflict this act to govern as to Newton, Jasper and Sabine counties, Texas; and fixing a penalty for the violation of this act, and repealing all laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency," with engrossed rider.

House bill No. 567, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require the Governor to appoint an inspector of hides and animals for the county of Oldham and place said county under the provisions of Articles 5002 to 5042, inclusive, Revised Statutes of 1895, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 565, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating Water Valley Independent School District, in Tom Green county, Texas, and defining its boundaries; providing for the election of a board of trustees thereof and defining their duties, powers and authority; authorizing the county assessor and collector of Tom Green county to levy, assess and collect taxes not exceeding 25 cents on the \$100 valuation of all property in said district subject to taxation for the purpose of purchasing and constructing public free school buildings and sites therefor within the district, and for equipping and furnishing the same, and to issue bonds for such purposes and to levy, assess and collect a tax not exceeding 25 cents on the \$100 valuation of such property for the maintenance and support of its schools; requiring and providing for elections on a proposition to levy such taxes and issuance of bonds; providing for the assessment and collection of such taxes, and providing for the collection for account of said district of the spe-

cial tax of 20 cents on the \$110 valuation of property in said district, levied for the years 1909 and 1910, and investing said district and the board of trustees thereof with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred and imposed by general laws upon independent school districts and the board of trustees thereof formed by incorporation of a town or village for free school purposes only, under general laws."

House bill No. 572, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Hamilton county, and making county commissioners ex-officio road commissioners, and prescribing their powers and duties as such, and providing for their compensation as such road commissioners; and providing for the condemning of material for the construction and maintenance of public roads, and to provide for the compensation for the material used; and providing for the working of county convicts on the public roads, and the purchase of supplies for such convicts and rewards for the capture of escaped county convicts, and for commutation of sentence for faithful service and good behavior, and defining the powers and duties of road overseers, and to provide for the summoning of hands and teams on public roads, and fixing a penalty for violation of same, and relieving them from the payment of such work by the payment of \$4.00; and providing further, making this act cumulative of the general laws now in force, and to repeal all laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 577, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend an act of the Special Laws of the Twenty-sixth Legislature, Section 14, Chapter 41, so as to read as follows."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

BILLS READ AND REFERRED.

The Chair (Lieutenant Governor Davidson) had referred, after their captions had been read, the following House bills (see above House message for captions of):

House bill No. 562, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

House bill No. 552, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

House bill No. 559, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

House bill No. 558, referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

House bill No. 563, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

House bill No. 564, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

House bill No. 580, referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

House bill No. 572, referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

House bill No. 565, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

House bill No. 567, referred to Committee on Stock and Stock Raising.

House bill No. 577, referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

House bill No. 573, referred to Committee on Towns and City Corporations.

HOUSE BILL NO. 535.

Senator Kellie called up, by unanimous consent, House bill No. 535.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading

House bill No. 535, A bill to be entitled "An Act to grant a new charter to the city of Beaumont, in Jefferson county, Texas, and to fix the boundary thereof; and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Senator Kellie the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Kellie, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill was put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Adams.
Alexander.
Brachfield.
Cofer.
Harper.
Hayter.
Holsey.
Hudspeth.
Kellie.
Mayfield.
Meachum.

Murray.
Paulus.
Peeler.
Real.
Stokes.
Terrell of Bowie.
Terrell of McLennan.
Thomas.
Watson.
Weinert.
Willacy.

Absent.

Bryan.
Hume.
Masterson.
Senter.

Sturgeon.
Veale.
Ward.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Alexander.
Brachfield.
Cofer.
Harper.
Hayter.
Holsey.
Hudspeth.
Kellie.
Mayfield.
Meachum.
Murray.

Paulus.
Peeler.
Real.
Stokes.
Terrell of Bowie.
Terrell of McLennan.
Thomas.
Watson.
Weinert.
Willacy.

Absent.

Adams.
Bryan.
Hume.
Masterson.

Senter.
Sturgeon.
Veale.
Ward.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

Senator Kellie moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11.

Senator Harper called up by unanimous consent Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 11.

The Chair laid before the Senate

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 11, Formal assent of the Legislature accepting the Adams Fund from the United States Government.

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, That the Board of Directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas are hereby authorized to accept from the national government the appropriation known as the "Adams Fund" for the agriculture experimental station of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas.

The committee report was adopted.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Senator Harper moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was adopted, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 490.

Senator Mayfield called up, by unanimous consent, House bill No. 490.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 490, A bill to be entitled "An Act to exempt Bell county from the provisions contained in Section 1 of Chapter 168 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirtieth Legislature."

The committee report, with amendments, was read and adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to a third reading.

RULE SUSPENDED.

Senator Watson here moved that, by unanimous consent, the rule excluding certain people from the floor of the Senate Chamber be suspended for today, so far as relating to ex-Lieutenant Governor Geo. D. Neal.

The motion was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Adams.
Alexander.
Brachfield.
Cofer.
Hayter.
Holsey.
Hudspeth.
Kellie.
Masterson.
Mayfield.
Murray.

Paulus.
Peeler.
Real.
Stokes.
Terrell of Bowie.
Terrell of McLennan.
Thomas.
Ward.
Watson.
Willacy.

Absent.

Bryan.
Harper.
Hume.
Meachum.

Senter.
Sturgeon.
Veale.
Weinert.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

By Senator Alexander:

Whereas, Only a short time remains for legislative work and many bills are yet to be considered, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Senator calling the bill shall be allowed not longer than ten minutes to explain the same, and, if desired, ten minutes shall be allowed in opposition, whereupon a vote shall be at once taken; provided further, that discussions of any amendment shall be limited to five minutes on either side.

The resolution was read and laid on the table subject to call.

SECOND HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, March 9, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

House bill No. 587, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Montague county, in the State of Texas, and making county commissioners of said county ex-officio road commissioners, and prescribing their duties as such, and providing for their compensation as road commissioners, and defining the powers and duties of the commissioners courts of said county, and fixing a penalty for the violation of this act, and to repeal all laws in conflict with this act," with engrossed rider.

House bill No. 585, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Sunset Independent School District in Montague county, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing for the election of a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district; investing said district with the rights, powers, privileges and duties of a town or village incorporated for free school purposes only under the general laws, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER.

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

(Senator Brachfield in the chair.)

BILLS READ AND REFERRED.

The Chair (Senator Brachfield) had referred, after their captions had been read, the following bills (see above House message for captions):

House bill No. 587, referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

House bill No. 585, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

SENATE BILL NO. 291.

Senator Watson called up from the table Senate bill No. 291.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

Senate bill No. 291, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the incorporation

of life, accident and health insurance companies and defining same; and to authorize such companies to transact business in the State of Texas; to authorize other like companies incorporated under the laws of other States, Territories and countries to transact business in this State; to regulate the business of such companies; to define the duties and powers of the Commissioner of Insurance and Banking and give to him authority to issue, suspend and revoke permits to such companies to transact business in this State, and to apply for the appointment of a receiver for such companies when they become impaired; defining the method of arriving at the value of personal property of such companies for purpose of State, county and municipal taxation, and exempting such companies from an occupation or gross receipts tax; to fix the suits of personal property of such companies for purpose of taxation; to permit the deposit of securities in the office of the State Treasurer; fixing venue of suits and providing the method and manner of service of process; providing penalties for violation of the provisions of this act; repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Senator Hudspeth offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill by striking out the word "street," in Section 10a, and insert in lieu thereof the word "electric."

Senator Alexander offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill by inserting after the word "or" in line 4, Subdivision (a), Section 10 of the bill, the words "first mortgage bonds."

Senator Watson offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend Section 59 of the bill by adding after Subdivision 19, the following paragraph:

"20. The Commissioner of Insurance and Banking shall admit into this State mutual insurance companies organized under the laws of other States and who have \$200,000 assets in excess of liabilities, engaged in cyclone, tornado, hail and storm insurance."

Bill read second time, and ordered engrossed.

Senator Watson moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and

the bill put on its third reading and final passage.

The roll call showed no quorum voting, the following Senators answering to their names:

Alexander.	Mayfield.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Sturgeon.
Hayter.	Thomas.
Holsey.	Watson.
Hudspeth.	Weinert.
Kellie.	Willacy.

Absent.

Adams.	Stokes.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Masterson.	Terrell of McLennan.
Meachum.	Veale.
Murray.	Ward.
Senter.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

Senator Watson moved a call of the Senate for the purpose of securing and maintaining a quorum, which motion was duly seconded.

The roll was ordered called, the following Senators answering to their names:

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Stokes.
Harper.	Sturgeon.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Thomas.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.

Absent.

Hume.	Veale.
Meachum.	Willacy.
Senter.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

The roll call showed a quorum present.

Senator Watson moved that the Journal be corrected so as to show that the call was only for securing a quorum, but withdrew same, and

Senator Terrell of Bowie moved that the call be dissolved, which motion prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 291.

Action recurred on Senate bill No. 291, and

On motion of Senator Watson, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Paulus.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Brachfield.	Real.
Bryan.	Senter.
Cofer.	Stokes.
Harper.	Sturgeon.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Thomas.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Murray.	Willacy.

Nays—1.

Hudspeth.

Absent.

Hume.	Terrell of McLennan.
Meachum.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

Senator Cofer offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill by striking out "Section 64" and renumbering sections.

The amendment was read, and lost by the following vote:

Yeas—4.

Adams.	Hudspeth.
Cofer.	Peeler.

Nays—22.

Alexander.	Real.
Brachfield.	Senter.
Bryan.	Stokes.
Harper.	Sturgeon.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hume.	Thomas.
Kellie.	Ward.
Mayfield.	Watson.
Murray.	Weinert.
Paulus.	Willacy.

Absent.

Masterson.	Veale.
Meachum.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Paulus.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Brachfield.	Real.
Bryan.	Senter.
Cofer.	Stokes.
Harper.	Sturgeon.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Thomas.
Kellie.	Ward.
Mayfield.	Watson.
Murray.	Willacy.

Nays—3.

Hume.	Weinert.
Masterson.	

Absent.

Meachum.	Veale.
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Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Watson moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

THIRD HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, March 9, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

House bill No. 385, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 19 and 24 of an act passed by the Twenty-sixth Legislature, Chapter 47, General Laws, entitled 'An Act creating an independent school district to be known as the Ballinger Independent School District, including within its limits the municipal corporation of the town of Ballinger, and to provide for the creation of a board of trustees thereof, and authorizing the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect special taxes, and conferring upon the board of trustees plenary powers and authority to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing school sites, and erecting, furnishing and equipping school buildings within the same, and to pay current expenses in the maintenance and support of said schools, and further prescribing the du-

ties and authorities of said board,' and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 488, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Kendall county, Texas, and making the commissioners of said county ex-officio road commissioners in their respective precincts, and prescribing their duties as such, and authorizing the appointment of road commissioners and providing for the compensation of road commissioners or supervisors, defining the duties of the commissioners court with reference to roads and bridges; providing for the appointment of overseers and defining their duties, and providing for and fixing their compensation for certain labor; providing penalties for violations of the provisions of this act; giving persons subject to road duty in Kendall county and persons summoned to work on the public roads of said county the right to be relieved from the discharge of such duty upon the payment of specific sums of money herein stipulated; and providing for the accounting for and the disposition to be made of the money so paid; limiting the purposes for which road and bridge funds shall be used; authorizing and providing for the working of county convicts upon the public roads, and providing for the payment of the officers' fees; providing that delinquent poll taxpayers shall be subject to work at 50 cents per day, requiring the collector of Kendall county to furnish to the commissioners court a list of persons who fail to pay their poll tax; providing for the condemnation of any land needed for the widening, straightening, changing or drainage of public roads; providing for taking of timber, gravel, earth, stone or other material for the making of public roads and bridges; providing that this act shall control in Kendall county in all cases wherein it differs from or is inconsistent and conflicts with the general laws on the subject of roads and bridges, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 497, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 19, Chapter 38 of the Acts of the Twenty-seventh Legislature, relating to pay of Hood county road commissioners, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 435, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for McLennan county, Texas, and making county commissioners of said county ex-officio road commissioners, and prescribing their duties as such, and providing for their compensation as road

commissioners, and defining the powers and duties of such county commissioners, and providing for the appointment of road overseers and defining their duties, and for the working of county convicts on the public roads of said county, and providing for officers' fees and rewards and penalties for said convicts, and rewards for the capture of escaped convicts, and to provide for the manner and training and maintaining hedges along all public roads, and to provide for the summoning of teams for road work, and for an allowance for time of road service for the same, and fixing a penalty for a violation of this act, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 455, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Wood county, Texas, and making the county commissioners of said county ex-officio road commissioners, and prescribing their duties as such, and providing for their compensation as such road commissioners, and providing for the working of said convicts and the fees of officers in such cases, and providing for the amount of time overseers shall allow road hands for their teams and road work, and providing for the payment of \$5.00 in lieu of road service; and providing for the working of delinquent poll taxpayers on the public roads; and providing for condemnation of land for public road purposes; and providing further, making this law cumulative of the general laws, and in case of a conflict this act to govern as to Wood county, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 417, A bill to be entitled "An Act to validate the incorporation of the city of Rule in Haskell county, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 474, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Runnels county, Texas, and making the commissioners of said county ex-officio road commissioners in their respective precincts, and providing for the appointment of deputies; defining the powers and duties of the commissioners court with reference to roads and bridges; providing for the appointment of road overseers, and defining their duties, and providing for and fixing their compensation for certain labor; providing penalties for the violation of this act; giving persons subject to road duty in Runnels county and persons summoned to work on the public roads of said county the right to be relieved from the discharge of such duty upon

the payment of specific sums of money herein stipulated, and providing for the accounting for and the disposition to be made of the money so paid; providing that delinquent poll taxpayers shall be subject to three days' road duty; requiring the tax collector of Runnels county to furnish to the commissioners court a list of all persons who fail to pay their poll tax; providing for the compensation of road commissioners; providing for the amount of compensation in road time to be allowed by overseers to road hands for teams and road work; providing further, for ordering an election to be held in Runnels county by the qualified property taxpaying voters to determine whether or not an additional ad valorem tax for road and bridge purposes shall be levied and collected in said county; also giving the commissioners court the power to establish, change, improve or discontinue public roads with or without petition and notice, as the circumstances may be, and providing that this act shall control in Runnels county in all cases wherein it differs or is in conflict with the general laws on the subject of roads, and making this act cumulative, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 592, A bill to be entitled "An Act to exempt Karnes county from the provisions of Chapter 39 of the Acts Revised Civil Statutes of 1895, and from the provisions of Chapter 39 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Twenty-third Legislature, 1893, and from the provisions of Chapter 12, Title 17 of the Penal Code in so far as the same relates to the inspection of the ears and hides of animals slaughtered by butchers, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 578, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 18 of the special road law of Montgomery county, Chapter 45, Acts of 1901, approved the 15th day of April, 1901."

House bill No. 606, A bill to be entitled "An Act abolishing the present Hereford Independent School District, and creating another independent school district, to be known as the 'Hereford Independent School District,' within the bounds of the city of Hereford, in the county of Deaf Smith and State of Texas, and other lands and territory adjacent thereto; the same incorporated as an independent school district for free school purposes only, with all the powers, rights and duties of independent school districts formed by incorporation of towns and villages for free school purposes."

House bill No. 596, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the compensation of county commissioners in Cooke county when acting as road commissioners and performing the duties imposed upon them by law or by the commissioners court, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 495, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 2, 7 and 31, and repealing Sections 18, 19, 23, 27, 28 and 30 of an act of the Thirtieth Legislature, Chapter 47, Special Laws, entitled 'An Act creating the Eldorado Independent School District in Schleicher county, Texas, and defining its boundaries; providing for the election of a board of trustees thereof, and defining their duties, powers and authority; authorizing said board of trustees to levy, assess and collect a tax of not exceeding 25 cents on the \$100 valuation, for the purpose of purchasing or constructing public free school buildings and furnishing the same, and to issue bonds for such purpose, and to levy, assess and collect a tax of not exceeding 50 cents on the \$100 valuation of such property for maintenance and support of its schools; requiring and providing for election on the proposition to levy such taxes, and issuance of bonds; providing for the collection for account of said district of the special tax of 20 cents on the \$100 valuation of property in said district, levied for the years 1906 and 1907, and investing said district and the board of trustees thereof with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred and imposed by general law upon independent school districts and the board of trustees thereof, formed by the incorporation of a town or village for free school purposes only under general law."

House bill No. 466, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 19 of Chapter 1, Special Laws of Texas as passed by the Twenty-ninth Legislature, being entitled 'An Act to create a more efficient road system for Archer county, Texas, and making county commissioners of said county ex-officio road commissioners, and prescribing their duties as such, and providing for their compensation as such road commissioners and providing for the working of county convicts upon the roads of said counties, and providing a penalty for the escape of convicts, and providing the amount of compensation in road time to be allowed by overseers to road hands, for teams and work, and providing for the condemnation of land for public road

purposes, and providing for the working of delinquent poll taxpayers on the public roads, and relieving road hands from the performance of road work by the payment of the sum of \$3.00, and providing for the levying and collection of a special road tax of 15 cents on the \$100 valuation of property in Archer county, and providing further making this law cumulative of the general laws, and in case of conflict this act to govern as to Archer county, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 459, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for a deputy county superintendent of schools of Harris and Travis counties, and prescribing duties and qualifications of same, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

BILLS READ AND REFERRED.

The Chair (Senator Brachfield) had read and referred, after their captions had been read, the following House bills (see above House message for captions):

House bill No. 488, referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

House bill No. 417, referred to Committee on Towns and City Corporations.

House bill No. 592, referred to Committee on Stock and Stock Raising.

House bill No. 578, referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

House bill No. 474, referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

House bill No. 466, referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

House bill No. 497, referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

House bill No. 385, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

House bill No. 495, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

House bill No. 606, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

House bill No. 455, referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

House bill No. 596, referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

House bill No. 459, referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

House bill No. 435, referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

FOURTH HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, March 9, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the
Senate:

Sir: I am directed by the House to
inform the Senate that the House has
passed the following bills:

House bill No. 605, A bill to be entitled
"An Act creating the Hamlin Independent
School District, in Jones county,
Texas, defining its boundaries, providing
for the election of a board of trustees
to manage and control the public free
schools within said district, investing
said district with the rights, powers,
privileges and duties of a town or vil-
lage incorporated for free school pur-
poses only under general laws, and de-
claring an emergency."

House bill No. 607, A bill to be entitled
"An Act creating an independent school
district in the county of Grayson, State
of Texas, to be known as the Dorchester
Independent School District, and to have
all the powers, rights and duties of in-
dependent school districts formed by the
incorporation of towns and villages for
free school purposes only."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

BILLS READ AND REFERRED.

The Chair (Senator Brachfield) had
referred, after their captions had been
read, the following House bills (see
above message for captions):

House bill No. 607, referred to Com-
mittee on Educational Affairs.

House bill No. 605, referred to Com-
mittee on Educational Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 452.

Senator Sturgeon called up from the
table House bill No. 452, and

The Chair laid before the Senate, on
second reading,

House bill No. 452, A bill to be entitled
"An Act to amend Article 3385, Title 69
of the Revised Statutes of the State of
Texas of 1895, relating to local option
so as to except from the operation of
the articles of said title wholesale drug-
gists selling alcohol to retail or dispens-
ing druggists, and declaring an emer-
gency."

Senator Terrell of McLennan moved
that further consideration of the bill be
postponed until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Senator Sturgeon moved to table the
motion, which motion to table prevailed.

The committee report, which provided
that the bill be not printed, was
adopted.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE.

Executive Office,
State of Texas.

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

To the Senate:

The advice and consent of the Senate
is asked to the appointment as notaries
public of the persons whose names ap-
pear in the accompanying list.

T. M. CAMPBELL,

Governor of Texas.

(See Appendix for additional list of
notaries public.)

EXECUTIVE SESSION—TIME SET
FOR.

Senator Watson moved that the Sen-
ate go into Executive Session tomorrow
at 2:30 o'clock to consider the above
appointments.

The motion prevailed.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE.

Executive Office,
State of Texas.

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

To the Senate:

Complying with the request contained
in the resolution adopted by the Senate
March 8, 1909, I have the honor to re-
turn herewith Senate bill No. 196.

T. M. CAMPBELL,

Governor of Texas.

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

By Senator Watson:

Resolved by the Senate, That Senate
bill No. 196 be returned to the House
for correction.

WATSON,
WEINERT.

The resolution was read, and adopted.

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

By Senator Alexander:

Whereas, The National Feeders' and
Breeders' show will open in Fort Worth

on March 13th and continue to March 20th; and

Whereas, The annual convention of the Cattle Raisers' Association will assemble in Fort Worth on March 16th; and

Whereas, These two great organizations represent in their membership, aims and achievements great and allied industries that make for the material progress and civilization of this State, and which carry their benefits to every farm and ranch in every section of this State; and

Whereas, The National Feeders' and Breeders' show and the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, joined by the progressive city of Fort Worth, which is the permanent home of the one and the honored host of the other, do now invite the Thirty-first Legislature to be their guests, and to fix the date thereof; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of the Thirty-first Legislature do accept this invitation to be the guests of said organization and the city of Fort Worth, and fix the date so as to leave Austin Monday night, March 15th, and return Wednesday morning the 17th instant, and that the executive officers of said associations and city be notified of our acceptance.

The resolution was read, and adopted.

SENATE BILL NO. 157—HOUSE AMENDMENTS CONCURRED IN.

Senator Senter called up

Senate bill No. 157, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the speedy and efficient enforcement of the liens of mechanics and artisans on the buildings, improvements and articles made or repaired by them," etc.,

And moved that the Senate concur in the following House amendments:

(1)

Amend Senate bill No. 157 by striking out of lines 33, 34 and 35, page 1, the following: "To the extent of the amount such principal owner, agent or receiver should have retained in his hands for the benefit and protection of such mechanics and artisans."

(2)

Amend Senate bill No. 157 by striking out in line 20, page 2, the word "twenty," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "thirty."

The motion to concur prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Paulus.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Brachfield.	Real.
Bryan.	Senter.
Cofer.	Stokes.
Harper.	Sturgeon.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Thomas.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Murray.	Willacy.

Absent.

Masterson.	Veale.
Meachum.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Senter moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendments were concurred in, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 452.

Action recurred on House bill No. 452, and

Senator Terrell of McLennan moved that the Senate recess until 2:30 o'clock, which motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—4.

Brachfield.	Cofer.
Bryan.	Terrell of McLennan.

Nays—21.

Adams.	Real.
Alexander.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Thomas.
Kellie.	Ward.
Mayfield.	Watson.
Murray.	Weinert.
Paulus.	Willacy.
Peeler.	

Present—Not Voting.

Harper.

Absent.

Masterson.	Veale.
Meachum.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Action then recurred on House bill No. 452, the question being on the passage of the bill to a third reading, and

Senator Cofer offered the following amendment:

Amend Section 1 of bill by striking out the words "one gallon nor more than."

Senator Hume moved the previous question on the amendment and the bill, which motion being duly seconded, was so ordered by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Peeler.
Alexander.	Real.
Brachfield.	Senter.
Bryan.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Thomas.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Murray.	Willacy.
Paulus.	

Nays—3.

Cofer.	Terrell of McLennan.
Harper.	

Absent.

Masterson.	Veale.
Meachum.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The amendment was read, and lost by the following vote:

Yeas—9.

Brachfield.	Terrell of Bowie.
Bryan.	Terrell of McLennan.
Cofer.	Thomas.
Harper.	Willacy.
Mayfield.	

Nays—16.

Adams.	Paulus.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Hayter.	Real.
Holsey.	Senter.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Murray.	Weinert.

Absent.

Masterson.	Stokes.
Meachum.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read second time, and passed to a third reading by the following vote:

Yeas—18.

Adams.	Peeler.
Alexander.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Murray.	Weinert.
Paulus.	Willacy.

Nays—8.

Brachfield.	Mayfield.
Bryan.	Terrell of Bowie.
Cofer.	Terrell of McLennan.
Harper.	Thomas.

Absent.

Masterson.	Veale.
Meachum.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Hume moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and the bill put on its third reading.

The motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—18.

Adams.	Peeler.
Alexander.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Murray.	Weinert.
Paulus.	Willacy.

Nays—8.

Brachfield.	Mayfield.
Bryan.	Terrell of Bowie.
Cofer.	Terrell of McLennan.
Harper.	Thomas.

Absent.

Masterson.	Veale.
Meachum.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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SIMPLE RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Watson:

Resolved by the Senate, That Senate

bill No. 196 be recalled from the Engrossing Clerk for correction.

WATSON,
WEINERT.

By Senator Watson:

Resolved by the Senate, That the request of the House to return Senate bill No. 196 be granted and said bill be returned.

WATSON,
WEINERT.

The resolutions were read, and were adopted.

RECESS.

On motion of Senator Peeler, the Senate, at 1:15 o'clock p. m., recessed until 3 o'clock today.

AFTER RECESS.

The Senate was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Davidson.

HOUSE BILL NO. 573.

Senator Terrell of McLennan called up, by unanimous consent, House bill No. 573, and

Senator Terrell of McLennan moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and the bill be put on its second reading.

The roll call on the above motion showed no quorum present, and

Senator Hudspeth moved a call of the Senate for the purpose of securing and maintaining a quorum.

The motion was seconded.

The Chair directed the roll called, which showed a quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Adams.	Mayfield.
Alexander.	Meachum.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Stokes.
Harper.	Sturgeon.
Hayter.	Terrell of McLennan.
Holsey.	Thomas.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	Willacy.

Absent.

Murray.

Paulus.

Senter.
Terrell of Bowie.

Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

Action then recurred on House bill No. 573, the question being on the suspension of the constitutional rule to put the bill on second reading.

The rule was suspended by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Mayfield.
Alexander.	Meachum.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Stokes.
Harper.	Sturgeon.
Hayter.	Terrell of McLennan.
Holsey.	Thomas.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	Willacy.

Absent.

Murray.
Paulus.
Senter.

Terrell of Bowie.
Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

On motion of Senator Terrell of McLennan, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report) by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Brachfield.	Real.
Bryan.	Senter.
Cofer.	Stokes.
Harper.	Sturgeon.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Thomas.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.

Absent.

Murray.
Paulus.

Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 572—Waco city charter (see committee report for caption of).

On motion of Senator Terrell of McLennan the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Terrell of McLennan, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Brachfield.	Real.
Bryan.	Senter.
Cofer.	Stokes.
Harper.	Sturgeon.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	•Terrell of McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Thomas.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.

Absent.

Murray.	Veale.
Paulus.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Brachfield.	Real.
Bryan.	Senter.
Cofer.	Stokes.
Harper.	Sturgeon.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Thomas.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.

Absent.

Murray.	Veale.
Paulus.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Terrell of McLennan moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

FREE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT—ADOPTION OF.

By Senator Meachum:

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate, and Hon. A. M. Kennedy, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sirs: We, your Free Conference Committee, appointed on

Senate bill No. 238, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the commissioners court of the several counties in Texas to create and establish improvement districts to prevent overflows and construct and maintain levees and other improvements on rivers, creeks and streams, and to prevent overflows, to order and hold elections for the purpose of voting on the establishment of such improvement districts and authorizing the issuance of bonds to pay for such improvements and the maintenance thereof, and the levy and collection of taxes to pay for such bonds and interest thereon, to appoint commissioners and all other necessary officers of such improvement districts for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this act; defining their powers and duties; granting the right of eminent domain to such improvement district and authorizing the improvement commissioners to acquire by purchase, gift or grant for such district title to any right of way and other property and such levees and other improvements as may have been therein previously constructed or made in such districts, and authorizing such commissioners court and improvement commissioners to do all things necessary for the establishment and maintenance of said levees and other improvements, according to the provisions of this act, and making it a penal offense for any person to willfully prevent the improvement district officers from entering upon such person's lands for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, and providing for a penalty therefor and creating other offenses, and providing penalties therefor under this act, and repealing all laws

and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and have adjusted the differences, and recommend that it do pass, with the following amendments:

(1)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 1, line 19, by striking out the word "and" after the word "streams."

(2)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 2, line 19, by striking out the word "collection," and insert in lieu thereof the word "collect."

(3)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 33, by striking out the word "the" after the word "at," and insert in lieu thereof the word "said."

(4)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 4, line 40, by adding after the word "posting" the words "written or printed."

(5)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 5, line 1, by inserting after the word "manner" the words "and places."

(6)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 5, line 2, after the word "section" strike out the figure "3," and insert in lieu thereof the word "two."

(7)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 5, line 4, by adding after the word "cause" the words "written or printed."

(8)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 5, line 38, by striking out the words "and posted," and insert the words "by posting written or printed notices."

(9)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 6, line 12, by adding after the word "posting" the words "written or printed."

(10)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 6, line 25, by inserting after the word "proposed" the word "improvement."

(11)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 7, line 14, by striking out the word "majority," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "of all votes."

(12)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 7, line 27, by inserting after the word "election" the word "held."

(13)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 7, line 29, by striking out the word "majority" after the words "two-thirds," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "of all."

(14)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 8, line 34, by striking out all of Section 19, after the word "district."

(15)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 10, line 11, by striking out the word "constitution," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "construction."

(16)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 10, line 25, by inserting just before the word "notices" the words "written or printed."

(17)

Amend said bill after the word "manner" by inserting the words "and places."

(18)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 11, line 24, by striking out the word "such" where it first appears in said line, and insert in lieu thereof the word "this."

(19)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 12, line 20, by inserting between the words "such" and "levy" the word "excess."

(20)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 12, line 28, by inserting after the word "and" the following: "Said commissioners court shall"; then after the word "payment" on said line insert the following, "which shall be set forth in said book."

(21)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 15, by commencing on line 24, after the word "purpose," by striking out the balance of said line, and lines 25 and 26 and the first word in line 27.

(22)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 16, line 32, after the words "signed by," inserting the words "two off," and in line 36 of said page strike out the word "him" and insert in lieu thereof the word "them." In line 39 of said page strike out the word "may" and insert in lieu thereof the word "shall."

(23)

Amend Senate bill No. 238, page 20, line 10, by striking out the word "situation" and insert in lieu thereof the word "location."

MEACHUM,
HARPER,
TERRELL of Bowie,
WATSON,
ALEXANDER,

On the part of the Senate.

BUCHANAN,
DAVIS,
SELF,
FANT,

On the part of the House.

The report was read, and adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Terrell of McLennan.
Kellie.	Thomas.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.

Absent.

Veale.	Watson.
Ward.	
	Absent—Excused.
Greer.	Perkins.

FIFTH HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

Senate bill No. 173, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 175 of the General Laws of Texas passed by the Thirtieth Legislature, prescribing compensation of district attorneys, amending said law so that Article 1081a of the Code of Criminal Procedure shall hereafter read as follows, and declaring an emergency," with amendments.

House bill No. 610, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1 of an act entitled 'An Act to protect game and fish in the county of Montgomery in the State of Texas; to prescribe penalties for violation of said act, and to declare an emergency,' approved April 5, 1907, and to declare an emergency," with engrossed rider.

House bill No. 614, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 3, Chapter 61 of the Special Laws of the State of Texas of the Thirtieth Legislature, which is an act to create a more efficient road system for Burnet county, and to prescribe the compensation for hands employed by the commissioners court to work on the public roads of Burnet county, and declaring an emergency."

Senate bill No. 50, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the location of and establishment and maintenance of a State sanatorium for the treatment of persons suffering from tuberculosis, and to provide for the care and treatment of indigent consumptives, and making an appropriation therefor."

House bill No. 297, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the taking and perpetuation of evidence for the purpose of establishing the identity of ex-Confederate veterans, and such facts as will prove their rights to a pension under and by virtue of the pension laws of Texas," with engrossed rider.

Also adopted the Free Conference Committee report on House bill No. 256 by the following vote: Yeas, 99; nays, 13.

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

BILLS READ AND REFERRED.

The Chair (Lieutenant Governor Davidson) had referred, after their captions had been read, the following House bills (see above House message for captions):

House bill No. 614, referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

House bill No. 610, referred to Committee on Agricultural Affairs.

House bill No. 297, referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

HOUSE BILL NO. 598.

Senator Mayfield called up, by unanimous consent, House bill No. 598.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 598, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Temple, in Bell county, Texas, passed by the Thirtieth Legislature, and which became a law March 27, 1907, by amending the following sections thereof: Sections 7, 17 and 19 of Article 2; Section 18 of Article 3; Sections 2 and 3 of Article 5; Section 2 of Article 6; Section 6 of Article 7; Section 4 of Article 10, and Section 4 of Article 11; by adding to Article 11 of said charter Sections 28 and 29, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Senator Mayfield, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report) by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Senter.
Cofer.	Stokes.
Harper.	Sturgeon.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Thomas.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.

Absent.

Paulus.	Veale.
Real.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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On motion of Senator Mayfield, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Mayfield, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—27.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Senter.
Cofer.	Stokes.
Harper.	Sturgeon.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Thomas.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Real.	Veale.
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Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—27.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Senter.
Cofer.	Stokes.
Harper.	Sturgeon.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Thomas.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Real.	Veale.
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Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Mayfield moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 65.

Senator Terrell of Bowie called up Senate bill No. 65, there being no objection.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

Senate bill No. 65, A bill to be entitled "An Act to place the State's Alamo property under the control and management of the State Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds, and his successor in office, and for putting said property in proper condition, and collecting rents on same, and providing an emergency."

The bill was read second time, and

Senator Weinert offered the following amendments:

(1)

Amend the caption, line 10, after the word "collecting" by inserting the word "back."

(2)

Amend the bill by striking out all after Section 1 and insert the following:

"Sec. 2. The State Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds is hereby required to cause said Alamo property as nearly as possible to be placed in the exact condition it was before the battle of the Alamo was fought without removing one stone from the main building of the Alamo fort or from the chapel, and keep it in that condition, and under no circumstances to rent or allow any person to use said property except for patriotic purposes, it to be devoted solely to the memory of the pioneers and heroes of Texas and used as a Hall of Fame and museum of history, art, literature and relics, and also to be used as repository for Texas relics or historical documents and articles loaned or donated by patriotic organizations or persons; and said building to be open to the public.

"Sec. 3. The State Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds is directed to make the De Zavala Chapter of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas custodians of such property in recognition of the valuable services rendered in the cause of Texas history by said Chapter, ladies who are well versed in the history of the Alamo, who shall take care of said property and keep both the chapel and the main building of the Alamo fort open to the public and explain it to all visitors.

"Sec. 4. The State Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds is hereby directed and commanded to collect all

rents now due the State for said property, and he is hereby given power to make such collection either in the courts or otherwise.

"Sec. 5. The fact that the main building of the old Alamo Fort is in need of immediate attention, that it is closed to the public and visitors are denied the privilege of seeing this sacred spot creates an emergency and a public necessity requiring that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that this bill take effect from and after its passage, and it is so enacted."

WEINERT,
MURRAY,
HUDSPETH,
KELLIE.

Senator Terrell of Bowie made the point of order on the amendment that same was not germane to the bill.

The Chair overruled the point of order.

SENATE BILL NO. 235—HOUSE AMENDMENTS CONCURRED IN.

Senator Watson called up

Senate bill No. 235, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 80 of the Special Laws of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Texas, approved April 15, 1907, and to create a more efficient road law for Lee county, Texas,"

And moved that the Senate concur in the following House amendments:

(1)

Amend Senate bill No. 235, page 2, line 32, by striking out "practical civil engineer" and insert in lieu thereof "a person."

(2)

Amend the bill, page 3, line 13, by striking out the following: "Shall not be appointed for a longer time than four years in succession, and his successor shall be appointed as provided at each February term of the commissioners court, which appointment shall," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Shall be appointed."

(3)

Amend the bill, page 4, line 6, by striking out all of Section 1 after the word "Texas" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "And in the event there is any recovery had upon said bond for any violation thereof, or any moneys collected upon said bond, the same shall

be paid to the county treasurer of Lee county, and by him credited to the road and bridge fund of said county."

(4)

Amend the bill, page 5, Section 3, line 5, by striking out the word "assistance" and insert in lieu thereof the word "assistants."

(5)

Amend the bill, page 5, Section 6, line 23, by striking out the following: "It shall be the duty of the superintendent," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "The said superintendent may with the advice and consent of the commissioners court of said county."

(6)

Amend the bill, page 6, Section 7, line 20, by adding after the word "contract" the following: "Provided, however, that no contracts for the building of any bridge or other improvements upon the county road in excess of \$50 shall be made by said superintendent unless said contract is first approved by the commissioners court."

(7)

Amend the bill on page 8, Section 8, by adding after the word "bids," in line 3, the following: "Provided, however, that all such contracts so made by the superintendent shall be first approved by the commissioners court."

(8)

Amend the bill, page 9, Section 10, by adding after the words "Section 2, in line 25," the following: "Provided, however, the commissioners court of said county may at any time discharge the said superintendent, which shall be done by an order of the court entered upon the minutes thereof, and after such order has been made and entered the said superintendent shall not receive any further compensation under any contract that might have been made by him and all contracts made by the commissioners court with any person as such superintendent, shall be made subject to the provisions of this Section."

(9)

Amend the bill, page 11, Section 13, by striking out of line 12 the following: "All first class roads shall lead from the county site of Lee county, and lead and be constructed in the most practical and direct line in the direction of the

county sites of the adjoining counties and extend to the county line to such adjoining county. Roads of the second class shall be constructed in the most direct and practical routes between the popular centers; that is to say, the towns and villages of the counties. All other roads shall be of the third class and in the construction of improvements and betterments on the public roads of Lee county; such improvements and betterments shall be made upon the public road in accordance with their classification as herein provided."

(10)

Amend the bill by adding thereto Sections 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40 and 41, which shall read as follows:

"Sec. 35. It shall be the duty of the commissioners court whenever petitioned to do so by as many as two hundred voters in said county, all of whom shall be resident owners of real estate in said county, to order an election to be held by the qualified real estate owners of said county, to determine whether or not the office of Superintendent of Roads and Bridges in said county shall be discontinued and abolished; provided, however, that no person shall vote at said election unless he is otherwise qualified in the general election of said county, and is also the owner of real estate in said county assessed for taxation, and the taxes thereon paid up to January 1 next preceding date of the election. When the commissioners court, upon the petition provided for herein shall order the election as herein provided for, it shall be the duty of said court to order such election to be held at the regular voting place or places of said county, upon the day, not less than twenty nor more than forty days from date of said order, and the order thus made shall express the object of such election and shall be held to be prima facie evidence that all the provisions necessary to give it the validity or to clothe the court with jurisdiction to make it, have been fully complied with.

"Sec. 36. The clerk of the county court of said county shall be or cause to be posted at least five copies of said order at different places within the county for at least twelve days prior to the day of the election, which election shall be held and the returns thereof made in conformity with the provisions of the General Laws of the State and by the officers of election appointed and qualified under such laws for such service by the clerk of the court, he shall

pay out of the general fund of the county the sum of \$25.

"Sec. 37. At said election those who favor the abolishing and discontinuing of the office of county road superintendent shall have printed or written on their ballots or tickets the words "For the abolishment of the office of superintendent of roads and bridges," and those who oppose it shall have printed or written on their ballots or tickets the words "Against the abolishment of the office of superintendent of roads and bridges."

"Sec. 38. The officers holding said election shall in all respects as herein specified to conform to the existing laws regulating elections, and after the polls are closed shall proceed to count the votes, and within ten days thereafter make due report of said election to the aforesaid court.

"Sec. 39. Said court shall hold a special session on the 11th day after the holding of said election, or as soon thereafter as practicable, for the purpose of opening the polls and counting the votes, and if a majority of the votes are "For the abolishment of the office of county road superintendent" said court shall immediately make an order declaring the result of said vote and discontinuing and abolishing the said office.

"Sec. 40. If a majority voting at such election are against the abolishment of the office of superintendent of roads and bridges, the court shall make an order declaring the result and have the same entered of record in the office of the clerk of said court.

"Sec. 41. No election under the preceding article shall be held in less than two years after an election under this title has been held therein, but at the expiration of that time the commissioners court of said county when the provisions of this law in the foregoing sections have been complied with by presenting proper petition with requisite number of signatures may order another election to be held by the qualified voters of said county for the same purpose, which second election shall be ordered held, notice thereof being given, the votes returned and counted and result declared in all respects as provided by this title for a first election, and the order granting such other election as well as that declaring the result shall have the force and effect and the same conclusiveness as are given to them in the case of a first election by the provisions of this act."

(11)

Amend the bill, page 24, Section 31, by adding at the end of line 32 the following: "Provided, however, that in any event where the owner of the property sued for, to be used by the superintendent for such public use, cannot agree with the superintendent as to the value of same, the same shall not be taken nor used by said road superintendent until said property has been first condemned by the commissioners court and the owner paid the fair market value of same, together with any other damages that he may or might sustain by reason of said property being so taken or used by said road superintendent."

(12)

Amend the bill, page 18, Section 26, by adding at the end of line 32 the following: "According to the taxable values of the several commissioners precincts, as shown by the last preceding assessment by the tax assessor of said county."

(13)

Amend the bill, Section 23, page 17, by striking out all of said section and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Superintendent of public roads and bridges and the commissioners court shall assign all road hands within the corporate limits of any town or village incorporated under the laws of this State to work upon the public roads, streets and alleys within the corporate limits of said town or village."

(14)

Amend the bill, page 17, Section 22, line 9, by striking out "21" and insert in lieu thereof "19."

(15)

Amend the bill, page 17, Section 21, line 4, by striking out "either as overseer or as a hand," and insert in lieu thereof "as overseer."

(16)

Amend the bill, page 16, Section 19, line 20, by striking out the figures "\$30" and insert in lieu thereof "\$50."

(17)

Amend the bill, page 15, Section 17, line 3, by striking out the following:

"And grand jury shall indict the superintendent," and also strike out of line 13 the word "they" and insert in lieu thereof "it."

(18)

Amend the bill, page 26, line 12, by striking out the words "Section 34" and insert in lieu thereof "Section 41."

(19)

Amend the caption by adding thereto the following: "And providing for an election to determine whether or not the office of superintendent of roads and bridges shall be abolished and providing for the mode and manner of holding same."

The motion to concur was adopted.

SIXTH HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

Senate bill No. 235, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 80 of the Special Laws of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Texas, approved April 15, 1907, and to create a more efficient road law for Lee county, Texas," with amendments.

House bill No. 478, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Governor of the State of Texas to purchase and receive a transfer from Mrs. John H. Reagan, on behalf of the State, of the books and papers of the Hon. John H. Reagan, deceased, and making an appropriation of \$10,000 to pay therefore, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

BILL READ AND REFERRED.

The Chair had referred, after its caption had been read, the following House bill (see above message for caption of):

House bill No. 478, referred to Finance Committee.

FREE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT—ADOPTION OF.

By Senator Ward:

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate, and Hon. A. M. Kennedy, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sirs: We, your Free Conference Committee, to whom was referred House bill No. 256, with amendments, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report that we have agreed upon and recommend the adoption of the following amendments to said bill:

Amend the bill by striking out all of Section 1 after the word "record," in line 23, page 2, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"For each permit issued by him, authorizing a foreign corporation to do business within this State, fifty dollars (\$50) for the first ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) of its authorized capital stock and ten dollars (\$10) for each additional ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or fractional part thereof; provided, that the fee required to be paid by any foreign corporation for a permit to engage in the manufacture, sale, rental, lease or operation of all kinds of cars, or to engage in conducting, operating or managing any telegraph lines in this State, shall in no event exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000); provided, however, that mutual building and loan companies, so called, whose stock is not permanent, but withdrawable, shall pay a fee of fifty dollars (\$50) for the first one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) or fractional part thereof of its authorized capital stock, and ten dollars (\$10) for each additional one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) or fractional part thereof; and where the company is a foreign one then the fee shall be based upon the capital invested in the State of Texas; and it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to require satisfactory proof as to the amount of capital actually invested in this State, before issuing any permit to any foreign building and loan company to do business in this State; provided, that the minimum fee for any foreign building or loan company shall be two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250); provided further, that the fee required to be paid by any foreign corporation for a permit to do the business of loaning money in this State, shall in no event exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000); provided further, that

nothing in this act shall in anywise affect any suit now pending in the name or in the behalf of the State of Texas against any foreign corporation."

Amend the caption by inserting after the word "permits," in line 7, "so as to fix and describe the fees of foreign loan companies for a permit to do business in Texas, so as to regulate the fees paid by such companies; and providing that said act shall not interfere with any suit now pending in the name of the State against foreign corporations, and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act."

STURGEON,
BRYAN,
HARPER,

On the part of the Senate.

RAY,
MARSHALL,
MASON,
WAHRMUND,
McDONALD,

On the part of the House.

The report was read and adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Sturgeon.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Thomas.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Holsey.	Terrell of McLennan.
Masterson.	Veale.
Stokes.	Weinert.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

Senator Ward moved to reconsider the vote by which the report was adopted, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 173 — HOUSE AMENDMENTS CONCURRED IN.

Senator Mayfield called up

Senate bill No. 173, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 175 of the General Laws of Texas passed by the Thirtieth Legislature, prescribing compensation of district attorneys, amending said law so that Article 1081a of

the Code of Criminal Procedure shall hereafter read as follows, and declaring an emergency,"

And moved that the Senate concur in the following House amendments:

Amend Senate bill No. 173 by striking out the word "four," in Section 1, page 3, line 11, and insert in lieu thereof the word "two."

The motion to concur prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Sturgeon.
Hayter.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Thomas.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Absent.

Kellie.	Terrell of McLennan.
Masterson.	Veale.
Stokes.	

Absent—Excused..

Greer. Perkins.

Senator Mayfield moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendments were concurred in, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

SEVENTH HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has adopted the Free Conference Committee report on Senate bill No. 238 by the following vote: Yeas, 116; nays, 0.

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.
(Senator Hume in the chair.)

SENATE BILL NO. 65.

Action recurred on Senate bill No. 65. The question being on the amendment by Senator Weinert, and Senators Alexander and Watson of-

ferred the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend the amendment by adding at the end of Section 3 the following: "Provided, the State Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds shall have general control of said property," and insert before the word "custodian," in line 3 of Section 3, the word "local."

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE.

Executive Office,
State of Texas.

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

To the Senate:

The advice and consent of the Senate is requested to the following appointments:

Perry J. Lewis, L. L. Shropshire, W. C. Rigsby, N. O. Green, C. A. Goeth, all of Bexar county, to be members of the board of managers of the Southwestern Lunatic Asylum.

Major Joe G. Booth of Travis county to be a member of the board of managers of the Confederate Home, vice J. J. Davis, resigned.

T. M. CAMPBELL,
Governor of Texas.

EXECUTIVE SESSION—TIME SET FOR.

Senator Real moved that the Senate go into executive session tonight at 8 o'clock for the purpose of considering the above appointments.

The motion was unanimously adopted.

EIGHTH HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

House bill No. 448, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 5, General Laws First Called Session of the Twenty-seventh Legislature, entitled 'An Act to apportion the State of Texas into congressional districts, naming the counties composing the same, and providing for the election of a member of the Congress of the United States from each district, and repealing all laws and parts

of laws in conflict herewith," with engrossed rider.

Senate bill No. 117, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide adequate punishment for any person who shall engage or act in the capacity of a locomotive engineer, or train conductor, upon any railroad in the State of Texas, without having first served three (3) years as a locomotive fireman or engineer, or if engaged as a conductor on any railroad train in this State, he shall be punished as herein provided if he engages to so act without first having served two (2) years as a brakeman or conductor of a freight train. To punish any person who shall knowingly engage, promote, require, persuade, prevail upon or cause any person to do any act in violation of this act."

House bill No. 594, A bill to be entitled "An Act to restore to and confer the county court of Ochiltree county, Texas, the civil and criminal jurisdiction belonging to such courts under the Constitution and General Statutes of the State of Texas; to conform the jurisdiction of the district court of said county to such change, and to repeal all laws in conflict with this act, so far as it relates to Ochiltree county."

House bill No. 542, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 86 of the Acts of the Twenty-eighth Legislature, relating to wolves and other wild animals, and providing for the destruction thereof, as amended by the Thirtieth Legislature, placing Potter county under the provisions of this law, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 1, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that all towns or cities of the State of Texas which may have been or may hereafter be chartered or organized under the General Laws of Texas or by special act or charter, and which town or city owns and operates waterworks, sewers, gas or electric lights, shall have the right to own land for such purposes within or without the limits of such cities and towns, and purchase, construct and operate water, sewer, gas and electric systems inside or outside of such town or city limits, and sell water, gas, electric light and power and sewer privileges; and authorizing such town or city to make such rules and regulations and prescribe penalties concerning same as shall be necessary and proper."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

BILLS READ AND REFERRED.

The Chair had referred, after their captions had been read, the following House bills (see above House message for captions):

House bill No. 448, referred to Committee on State Affairs.

House bill No. 594, referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

House bill No. 542, referred to Committee on Stock and Stock Raising.

House bill No. 1, referred to Committee on Towns and City Corporations.

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

By Senator Meachum:

Whereas, A most important event occurred nineteen years ago today, involving the happiness and welfare of a distinguished citizen of this State, and whereas this is the anniversary of that happy occasion; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of Texas hereby takes official notice of this day, and extends to Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. A. B. Davidson their best wishes upon this, the nineteenth anniversary of their wedding; that a beneficent Providence may continue his benign smile upon them, and vouchsafe unto them immeasurable happiness and unbounded joy for many years yet to come.

Resolved, further, That we congratulate Lieutenant Governor Davidson upon the excellent judgment by him displayed nineteen years ago today in making this most important and valuable contract.

MEACHUM,
WATSON,
HUDSPETH,
TERRELL of Bowie,
WILLACY.

The resolution was read and adopted by a rising vote.

SENATE BILL NO. 65.

Action recurred on Senate bill No. 65, the question on the bill being on the amendment to the amendment, and

Senator Willacy offered the following substitute for the amendment and the amendment to the amendment:

Amend the bill by adding after the word "performs," in line 17, page 1, the following: "Until such time as the case on appeal now before the Court of Civil Appeals for the First District, styled the Daughters of the Republic vs. Adina De Zavalla et al., may be finally adjudicated,

after which decree possession shall be given in accordance with the final decree of the courts."

Senator Weinert moved to table the substitute, which motion was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—17.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	

Nays—9.

Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Terrell of Bowie.
Holsey.	Ward.
Masterson.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Sturgeon.	Veale.
Thomas.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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(Lieutenant Governor Davidson in the chair.)

Senator Weinert moved the previous question on the pending amendment, which motion being duly seconded, was so ordered.

The amendment to the amendment was adopted, and

The amendment, as amended, was adopted.

Senator Alexander moved the previous question on the engrossment of the bill, which motion being duly seconded, was so ordered.

The bill was read second time, and ordered engrossed by the following vote:

Yeas—16.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Brachfield.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.

Nays—8.

Bryan.	Meachum.
Holsey.	Peeler.
Masterson.	Terrell of Bowie.
Mayfield.	Ward.

Present—Not Voting.

Willacy.

Absent.

Hume.

Thomas.

Sturgeon.

Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

On motion of Senator Weinert, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Adams.
Alexander.
Brachfield.
Cofer.
Harper.
Hayter.
Holsey.
Hudspeth.
Hume.
Kellie.
Mayfield.

Murray.
Paulus.
Real.
Senter.
Stokes.
Terrell of McLennan.
Ward.
Watson.
Weinert.
Willacy.

Nays—5.

Bryan.
Masterson.
Meachum.

Peeler.
Terrell of Bowie.

Absent.

Sturgeon.
Thomas.

Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

Senator Holsey offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill by adding the following:

Section 4a. Whenever there is a conflict between the De Zavalla chapter and the Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds as to the management of the Alamo property, the Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds shall prevail.

Senator Hudspeth moved to table the amendment.

Senator Hudspeth moved the previous question on the amendment and the bill, which motion being duly seconded, was so ordered.

The motion to table the amendment prevailed.

The bill was read third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—18.

Adams.

Alexander.

Brachfield.

Cofer.

Harper.

Holsey.

Hudspeth.

Hume.

Kellie.

Murray.

Paulus.

Real.

Senter.

Stokes.

Terrell of McLennan.

Ward.

Watson.

Weinert.

Nays—7.

Bryan.

Hayter.

Masterson.

Mayfield.

Meachum.

Peeler.

Terrell of Bowie.

Present—Not Voting.

Willacy.

Absent.

Sturgeon.

Veale.

Thomas.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

Senator Weinert moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 28.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading, on motion of Senator Hudspeth, there being no objection,

House bill No. 28, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture of and sale of articles of foods and drugs; prescribing penalties for the violation of this act, to provide for the appointment of a Dairy and Food Commissioner, and to define his powers and duties, and to fix his compensation, and to repeal all laws in conflict with the provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency, so as to more perfectly prevent the manufacture of, sale of or offering for sale of misbranded or adulterated foods and drugs; to prevent the addition to foods of injurious drugs, or articles injurious to health; to provide for a Dairy and Food Commission, prescribing its duties, making appropriations to carry this act into effect for the remainder of the fiscal year, and declaring an emergency."

RECESS.

On motion of Senator Hume, the Senate at 6:15 o'clock recessed until 8:30 o'clock tonight.

AFTER RECESS—NIGHT SESSION.

The Senate was called to order by President Pro Tem. Terrell.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The Chair announced that the hour, 8:30 o'clock p. m., had arrived for the Senate to go into executive session for the purpose of considering the appointments sent to the Senate by the Governor today, appointing members of certain boards.

The Chamber was ordered cleared of all those not entitled to remain.

IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

In executive session the following confirmations were made:

Members of the board of managers of the Southwestern Lunatic Asylum: Perry J. Lewis, L. L. Shropshire, W. C. Rigsby, N. O. Green, C. A. Goeth.

Member of the board of managers of the Confederate Home: Joe J. Booth.

IN THE SENATE.**HOUSE BILL NO. 28.**

Action recurred on House bill No. 28, which was unfinished business.

The question on the bill was the committee report with amendments.

The committee report was read and adopted, on motion of Senator Hudspeth.

Senator Terrell of McLennan offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill, page 5, Section 6, line 31, by adding after the words "cocaine," the following: "Caffeine, theine."

TERRELL of McLennan,
HARPER,
COFER.

NINTH HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives.
Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has reconsidered the vote by which the Free Conference Committee report on House bill No. 256 was adopted, and requests that a Free Conference Committee be reappointed. The following has been appointed on part of the House: Messrs.

Ray, Marshall, McDonald, Mason and Wahrmond.

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

VOTE RECONSIDERED.

Senator Ward moved to reconsider the vote by which the Free Conference Committee report on House bill No. 256 was adopted.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Ward then moved that the request of the House for a Free Conference Committee on House bill No. 256 be granted.

The motion prevailed and the Chair (President Pro Tem. Terrell) appointed the following as the committee:

Senators Sturgeon, Ward, Bryan, Harper, Kellie.

TENTH HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives.
Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has adopted the Free Conference Committee report on House bill No. 256 by the following vote: Yeas, 90; nays, 6.

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

ELEVENTH HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives.
Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bill:

House bill No. 595, A bill to be entitled "An Act to permit all villages, towns and cities having a population of not less than 10,000 inhabitants, whether incorporated or unincorporated, to adopt the commission form of government, consisting of three commissioners, one of whom shall be the mayor, to be elected at large from said village, town or city; to fix duties and powers of same, terms of office and compensation, and creating an emergency."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

BILL READ AND REFERRED.

The Chair (President Pro Tem. Terrell) had referred, after its caption had been read, the following House bill (see House message for caption of):

House bill No. 595, referred to Committee on Towns and City Corporations.

FREE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
REPORT—ADOPTION OF.

By Senator Ward:

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate, and Hon. A. M. Kennedy, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sirs: Your Free Conference Committee, to whom was referred House bill No. 256, with amendments, have had the same under consideration and beg leave to report that we have agreed upon, and recommend the adoption of the following amendments to said bill:

Amend the bill by striking out all of Section 1, after the word "record," in line 23, page 2, down to the word "all," in line 2, page 3, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"For each permit issued by him, authorizing a foreign corporation to do business within this State, fifty dollars (\$50) for the first ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) of its authorized capital stock, and ten dollars (\$10) for each additional ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or a fractional part thereof; provided, that the fee required to be paid by any foreign corporation for a permit to engage in the manufacture, sale, rental, lease or operation of all kinds of cars, or to engage in conducting, operating or managing any telegraph lines in this State, shall in no event exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000); provided, however, that mutual building and loan companies, so called, whose stock is not permanent, but withdrawals, shall pay a fee of fifty dollars (\$50) for the first one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) or a fractional part thereof of its authorized capital stock, and ten dollars (\$10) for each additional one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) or a fractional part thereof; and where the company is a foreign one, then the fee shall be based upon the capital invested in the State of Texas; and it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to require satisfactory proof as to the amount of capital actually invested in this State,

before issuing any permit to any foreign building and loan company to do business in this State; provided, that the minimum fee for any foreign building or loan company shall be two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250); provided, further, that the fee required to be paid by any foreign corporation for a permit to do the business of loaning money in this State, shall in no event exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000); provided, further, that nothing in this act shall in any wise affect any suit now pending in the name or in the behalf of the State of Texas against any foreign corporation."

Amend the caption by inserting after the word "permits," in line 7, "so as to fix and prescribe the fees of foreign loan companies for a permit to do business in Texas, so as to regulate the fees paid by such companies; and providing that said act shall not interfere with any suit now pending in the name of the State against foreign corporations, and to repeal all laws, and parts of laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

STURGEON,
WARD,
BRYAN,
HARPER,
KELLIE,

On the part of the Senate.

RAY,
MARSHALL,
WAHRMUND,
MASON,
McDONALD,

On the part of the House.

The report was read and adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—27.

Adams.	Paulus.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hume.	Thomas.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.
Murray.	

Absent.

Brachfield.

Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

Senator Ward moved to reconsider the vote by which the report was adopted, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 28.

Action recurred on House bill No. 28, the question being on the amendment by Senator Terrell of McLennan.

Senator Meachum moved to table the amendment, which motion was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—19.

Adams.	Paulus.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Hayter.	Real.
Holsey.	Senter.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.
Murray.	

Nays—8.

Bryan.	Stokes.
Cofer.	Sturgeon.
Harper.	Terrell of McLennan.
Mayfield.	Thomas.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Veale.
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Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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(Lieutenant Governor Davidson in the chair.)

Senator Alexander offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill by striking out all after the word "blends," in line 6, page 5, and all of line 7, page 5, and all in line 8, page 5, up to the word "that."

ALEXANDER.
HAYTER.

Senator Alexander moved the previous question on the amendment and the bill, which motion being duly seconded was so ordered.

The amendment was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Hudspeth, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—27.

Adams.	Paulus.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hume.	Thomas.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.
Murray.	

Absent.

Brachfield.	Veale.
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Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Paulus.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hume.	Thomas.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Meachum.	Weinert.
Murray.	Willacy.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Veale.
Mayfield.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Hudspeth moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

LOCAL BILLS.

Here Senator Bryan's name was reached and he desired to call up House bill No. 146, but there was objection, and pending discussion on the matter it was agreed that the Senate would proceed to the consideration of local bills, the motion being made by Senator Watson, and was adopted.

HOUSE BILL NO. 459.

Senator Terrell of Bowie called up House bill No. 459, and

On motion of Senator Terrell of Bowie, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Mayfield.	Veale.
Murray.	Watson.
Terrell of McLennan.	Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

On motion of Senator Terrell of Bowie, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Paulus.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Brachfield.	Terrell of McLennan.
Mayfield.	Thomas.
Murray.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 459, A bill to be entitled

“An Act to provide for deputy county superintendents for counties of Harris and Travis.”

On motion of Senator Terrell of Bowie, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Terrell of Bowie, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Mayfield.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Paulus.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.
Murray.	

Absent.

Brachfield.	Terrell of McLennan.
Cofer.	Thomas.
Mayfield.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

Senator Terrell of Bowie moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was

passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 7.

Senator Willacy called up, by unanimous consent, House Joint Resolution No. 7.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

House Joint Resolution No. 7, To amend Section 51 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, so as to authorize the grant of aid to disabled and dependent Confederate soldiers and sailors and their widows, and to grant aid to the establishment and maintenance of a home for said soldiers and sailors, and for the establishment and maintenance of a home for the disabled and dependent wives and widows of Confederate soldiers and sailors and such women as aided the Confederacy, and making appropriations for same.

Senator Willacy offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out all after the word "follows," in line 3 of Section 1, and insert the following:

"Article 3. Section 51. The Legislature shall have no power to make any grant or authorize the making of any grant of public money to any individual, associations or individuals, municipal or other corporations whatsoever; provided, however, the Legislature may grant aid to indigent and disabled Confederate soldiers and sailors who came to Texas prior to January 1, 1880, and who are either over sixty years of age or whose disability is the proximate result of actual service in the Confederate army for a period of at least three months, their widows in indigent circumstances who have never remarried and who have been bona fide residents of the State of Texas since March 1, 1880, and who were married to such soldiers anterior to March 1, 1880; provided, said aid shall not exceed \$8.00 per month; and provided further, that no appropriations shall ever be made for the purpose hereinbefore specified in excess of \$500,000 for any one year. And also grant aid to the establishment and maintenance of a home for said soldiers and sailors, their wives and widows and women who aided in the Confederacy under such regulations and limitations as may be provided by law; provided, the grant to aid said home shall not exceed \$150,000 for any one year, and no inmate of said

homes shall be entitled to any other aid from the State; the Legislature may provide for husband and wife to remain together in the home; and provided further, that the provisions of this section shall not be construed to prevent the grant of aid in case of public calamity.

"Sec. 2. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at the regular election of State officers in November, 1910.

"Those voting for the amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the following: 'For Confederate Woman's Home Amendment,' and those voting against said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the following: 'Against Confederate Woman's Home Amendment.'

"Sec. 3. The sum of \$5000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses of carrying out the provisions of this resolution."

ALEXANDER,
WILLACY,
MEACHUM,
COFER,
KELLIE,
HUME.

The amendment was read and adopted.

Senator Willacy offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the caption by striking out all after the word "Texas," in line 2 thereof, and insert the following: "As amended in 1903, so as to authorize the grant of aid in the establishment and maintenance of a home for the disabled and dependent wives and widows of Confederate soldiers and sailors and such women as aided the Confederacy, and making an appropriation."

ALEXANDER,
WILLACY,
MEACHUM,
COFER,
KELLIE,
HUME.

The resolution was read second time, and passed to third reading.

TWELFTH HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to

inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bill:

House bill No. 615, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 79 of the Acts of the Thirtieth Legislature passed at the Regular Session, 1907, so that it shall hereafter read as follows, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

BILL READ AND REFERRED.

The Chair (Lieutenant Governor Davidson) had referred, after its caption had been read, the following House bill (see above House message for caption of):

House bill No. 615, referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

HOUSE BILL NO. 321.

Senator Hudspeth called up Senate bill No. 321, and

On motion of Senator Hudspeth, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Hayter.	Real.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Terrell of McLennan.
Cofer.	Thomas.
Harper.	Veale.
Senter.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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On motion of Senator Hudspeth, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Hayter.	Real.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Terrell of McLennan.
Cofer.	Thomas.
Harper.	Veale.
Senter.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

Senate bill No. 321, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Robert Lee Independent School District, in Coke county, Texas, etc."

On motion of Senator Hudspeth, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hudspeth, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Brachfield.	Terrell of McLennan.
Cofer.	Thomas.
Senter.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Senter.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Hudspeth moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table was lost.

HOUSE BILL NO. 491.

Senator Bryan called up House bill No. 491.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 491, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 8 of the Special Laws of the State of Texas, passed at the Regular Session of the Twenty-eighth Legislature, and amending Section 7, Chapter 8 of the laws of the Regular Session of the Twenty-eighth Legislature, being the Eastland county road law."

On motion of Senator Bryan, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Senter.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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On motion of Senator Bryan, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Bryan, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Alexander.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Real.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Absent.

Adams.	Thomas.
Brachfield.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Terrell of McLennan.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

Senator Bryan moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

THIRTEENTH HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate,

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bill:

House bill No. 218. A bill to be entitled "An Act defining the liability of common carriers for personal injuries to their employes and for injuries resulting in the death of their employes; defining the legal effect of contributory negligence on the part of such injured employe, and providing who shall be entitled to recover in such cases."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

BILL READ AND REFERRED.

The Chair (Lieutenant Governor Davidson) had referred, after its caption had been read, the following House bill (see above House message for caption of):

House bill No. 218, referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

HOUSE BILL NO. 532.

Senator Watson called up House bill No. 532.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 532, A bill to be entitled "An Act to render more effective and efficient the present road law in the State of Texas in its application and operation in the county of Bastrop, and to authorize and empower the said county to issue bonds for the construction of bridges and construction and maintenance of public roads and highways within said county; providing for the working of county convicts upon the public roads of said county; delegating certain powers to members of the commissioners court, regulating the compensation of certain officers, and repealing

House bill No. 521 of the Acts of the Twenty-ninth Legislature."

On motion of Senator Watson, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Paulus.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

On motion of Senator Watson, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Watson, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Terrell of McLennan.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Veale.
Mayfield.	Ward.
Thomas.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Terrell of McLennan.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Veale.
Thomas.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Watson moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed

(President Pro Tem. Terrell in the chair.)

HOUSE BILL NO. 474.

Senator Senter called up House bill No. 474.

On motion of Senator Senter, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Brachfield.	Sturgeon.
Bryan.	Terrell of McLennan.
Cofer.	Thomas.
Paulus.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 474. A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Runnels county, Texas."

On motion of Senator Senter, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Terrell of McLennan.
Bryan.	Thomas.
Harper.	Veale.
Paulus.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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On motion of Senator Senter, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Senter, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Bryan.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Terrell of McLennan.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

Senator Senter moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 317.

Senator Adams called up Senate bill No. 317.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading.

Senate bill No. 317, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 79 of the General Laws of the State of Texas passed by the Twenty-seventh Legislature, creating a more efficient road system for Brown county, Texas, etc."

The committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted

Bill read second time, and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Adams, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Hudspeth.
Alexander.	Hume.
Cofer.	Kellie.
Harper.	Masterson.
Hayter.	Mayfield.
Holsey.	Meachum.

Murray.
Paulus.
Peeler.
Real.
Senter.
Stokes.

Sturgeon.
Terrell of Bowie.
Ward.
Watson.
Weinert.
Willacy.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Bryan.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Bryan.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

Senator Adams moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 478.

Senator Meachum called up House bill No. 478, and

On motion of Senator Meachum, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Holsey.
Alexander.	Hudspeth.
Cofer.	Hume.
Harper.	Kellie.
Hayter.	Masterson.

Mayfield.	Stokes.
Meachum.	Sturgeon.
Murray.	Terrell of Bowie.
Paulus.	Ward.
Peeler.	Watson.
Real.	Weinert.
Senter.	Willacy.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Bryan.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading.

House bill No. 478. A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Governor of the State of Texas to purchase and receive a transfer from Mrs. John H. Reagan on behalf of the State of the books and papers of the Hon. John H. Reagan, deceased, and making an appropriation of \$10,000 to pay therefor."

On motion of Senator Meachum, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report) by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Bryan.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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On motion of Senator Meachum, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Meachum, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be

read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Bryan.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Nays—1.

Terrell of Bowie.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Bryan.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Meachum moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

(Senator Alexander in the chair.)

HOUSE BILL NO. 511.

Senator Willacy called up House bill No. 511.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 511, A bill to be entitled "An Act to validate the Wichita Falls Independent School District, in Wichita county, Texas," etc.

The committee report was adopted, on motion of Senator Willacy.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Willacy, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Terrell of McLennan.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Alexander.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Absent.

Adams.	Thomas.
Brachfield.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Willacy moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 230.

Senator Holsey called up, by unanimous consent, House bill No. 230.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 230, A bill to be entitled "An Act to add to the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas a Department of Instruction in the theory and practical art of grading, classing and determining the spinable value of cotton, and to make an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Holsey, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Alexander.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Absent.

Adams.	Thomas.
Brachfield.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Alexander.	Holsey.
Bryan.	Hudspeth.
Cofer.	Hume.
Harper.	Kellie.
Hayter.	Masterson.

Mayfield.	Sturgeon.
Meachum.	Terrell of Bowie.
Paulus.	Ward.
Peeler.	Watson.
Real.	Weinert.
Senter.	Willacy.
Stokes.	

Absent.

Adams.	Terrell of McLennan.
Brachfield.	Thomas.
Murray.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Holsey moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 497.

Senator Willacy called up, for Senator Alexander, who was presiding, House bill No. 497, and

On motion of Senator Willacy, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Alexander.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Adams.	Terrell of McLennan.
Brachfield.	Thomas.
Murray.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 497, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 19, Chapter 38 of the Acts of the Twenty-seventh Legislature, relating to pay of Hood county road commissioners, and declaring an emergency,"

On motion of Senator Willacy, the

Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report) by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Alexander.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Absent.

Adams.	Terrell of McLennan.
Brachfield.	Thomas.
Cofer.	Veale.
Murray.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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On motion of Senator Willacy, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Willacy, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Alexander.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Terrell of McLennan.
Masterson.	Ward.
Mayfield.	Watson.
Meachum.	Weinert.
Murray.	Willacy.

Absent.

Adams.	Thomas.
Brachfield.	Veale.
Cofer.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Alexander.	Murray.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Terrell of McLennan.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Absent.

Adams.	Thomas.
Brachfield.	Veale.
Paulus.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Willacy moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 368.

Senator Masterson called up House bill No. 368.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 368, Galveston city charter (see committee report).

On motion of Senator Masterson, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report) by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Alexander.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Terrell of McLennan.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
Meachum.	Willacy.
Murray.	

Absent.

Adams.	Thomas.
Brachfield.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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On motion of Senator Masterson, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Masterson, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—27.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Thomas.	Veale.
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Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—27.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Thomas.	Veale.
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Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Masterson moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

Senator Masterson presented the following petition in connection with the above bill:

Galveston, Texas, March, 1909.

Hon. T. W. Masterson, Senator, and Messrs. Jens Moller and Marsene Johnson, Representatives, Austin, Texas.

Gentlemen: The undersigned qualified voters and citizens of Galveston respectfully petition and request that you introduce in the Legislature and secure the adoption of the amendment to our city charter, incorporating the limits, as prepared by City Attorney Kleberg, districting the barrooms from out of the residence section.

Signed by 3490 of the qualified voters of the city of Galveston, who have paid their poll tax.

HOUSE BILL NO. 563.

Senator Terrell of McLennan called up House bill No. 563, and

On motion of Senator Terrell of McLennan, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of McLennan.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Harper.	Thomas.
Terrell of Bowie.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 563, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating Carlton Independent School District, in Hamilton county, Texas, and defining its boundaries; providing for the election of a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district; defining the title to school property in

said district, naming fiscal year as to the taxes; investing the said district with the all powers, rights and duties of independent school districts formed for free school purposes only, and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Senator Mayfield, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report) by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	Willacy.
Mayfield.	

Absent.

Terrell of Bowie.	Thomas.
Terrell of McLennan.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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On motion of Senator Mayfield, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Mayfield, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Mayfield.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	Willacy.

Absent.

Meachum.	Thomas.
Murray.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	Willacy.
Mayfield.	

Absent.

Murray.	Thomas.
Terrell of McLennan.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

Senator Mayfield moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 559.

Senator Ward called up House bill No. 559, and

On motion of Senator Ward, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Cofer.	Thomas.
Terrell of McLennan.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 559, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Palmer Independent School District in Ellis county, Texas, defining its boundaries, providing for the election of a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district, investing said district with the rights, powers, privileges and duties of a town or village incorporated for free school purposes only under the general laws, and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Senator Ward, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report) by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.

Absent.

Cofer.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	Willacy.
Thomas.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

On motion of Senator Ward, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On Motion of Senator Ward, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Hume.
Alexander.	Kellie.
Brachfield.	Masterson.
Bryan.	Mayfield.
Harper.	Meachum.
Hayter.	Murray.
Holsey.	Paulus.
Hudspeth.	Peeler.

Real.	Terrell of Bowie.
Senter. •	Ward.
Stokes.	Watson.
Sturgeon.	Weinert.

Absent.

Cofer.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	Willacy.
Thomas.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.

Absent.

Cofer.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	Willacy.
Thomas.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Ward moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 488.

Senator Real called up House bill No. 488, and

On motion of Senator Real, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Hume.
Alexander.	Kellie.
Brachfield.	Masterson.
Bryan.	Mayfield.
Cofer.	Meachum.
Harper.	Murray.
Hayter.	Paulus.
Holsey.	Peeler.

Real.	Terrell of Bowie.
Senter.	Ward.
Stokes.	Watson.
Sturgeon.	

Absent.

Hudspeth.	Veale.
Terrell of	Weinert.
McLennan.	Willacy.
Thomas.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 48, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Kendall county, Texas."

On motion of Senator Real, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan.	Veale.
Thomas.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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On motion of Senator Real, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Real, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Cofer.
Alexander.	Harper.
Brachfield.	Hayter.
Bryan.	Holsey.

Hudspeth.	Senter.
Hume.	Stokes.
Kellie.	Sturgeon.
Masterson.	Terrell of Bowie.
Mayfield.	Watson.
Meachum.	Weinert.
Peeler.	Willacy.
Real.	

Absent.

Murray.	Thomas.
Paulus.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	Ward.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.

Absent.

Hudspeth.	Thomas.
Terrell of	Veale.
McLennan.	Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Real moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 572.

Senator Mayfield called up House bill No. 572, and

On motion of Senator Mayfield, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Cofer.
Alexander.	Harper.
Brachfield.	Hayter.
Bryan.	Holsey.

Hudspeth.	Peeler.
Hume.	Senter.
Kellie.	Stokes.
Masterson.	Sturgeon.
Mayfield.	Terrell of Bowie.
Meachum.	Ward.
Murray.	Watson.
Paulus.	Weinert.

Absent.

Real.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	Willacy.
Thomas.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 572, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Hamilton county, and making county commissioners ex-officio road commissioners, and prescribing their powers and duties as such, and providing for their compensation as such road commissioners; and providing for the condemning of material for the construction and maintenance of public roads, and to provide for the compensation for the material used; and providing for the working of county convicts on the public roads, and the purchase of supplies for such convicts and rewards for the capture of escaped county convicts, and for commutation of sentence for faithful service and good behavior, and defining the powers and duties of road oversers and to provide for the summoning of road hands and teams on public roads, and fixing a penalty for violation of same, and relieving them from the payment of such work by the payment of \$4.00; and providing further, making this act cumulative of the general laws now in force, and to repeal all laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Senator Mayfield, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Holsey.
Alexander.	Hudspeth.
Brachfield.	Hume.
Bryan.	Kellie.
Cofer.	Masterson.
Harper.	Mayfield.
Hayter.	Meachum.

Murray.	Terrell of Bowie.
Paulus.	Ward.
Peeler.	Watson.
Stokes.	Weinert.
Sturgeon.	

Absent.

Real.	Thomas.
Senter.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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On motion of Senator Mayfield, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Mayfield, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Mayfield.
Alexander.	Meachum.
Brachfield.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	

Absent.

Senter.	Thomas.
Terrell of Bowie.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	Willacy.
Mayfield.	

Absent.

Senter.	Thomas.
Terrell of	Veale.
McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Mayfield moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

FOURTEENTH HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

Senate bill No. 311, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 75 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Twenty-seventh Legislature, creating a more efficient road system for Grayson county; and Chapter 65 of the Special Laws of said State, amendatory thereof, passed by the Thirtieth Legislature at its Regular Session; providing for the creation of road districts in any political subdivision of any defined district hereafter to be described in said county; prescribing the procedure necessary to the creation of such district; authorizing such district to issue bonds for the purpose of constructing and maintaining under the direction of the commissioners court of said county of macadamized, graveled or paved roads or turnpikes, or in aid thereof; providing for the holding of election and the manner thereof, to determine whether or not said bonds shall be issued; declaring the qualification of voters of such election; providing for the interest on such bonds and creating a sinking fund for the retirement of same, and providing for the assessment and collection of taxes for such purpose; providing for the investment of said sinking fund and for its custody and deposit when not invested; providing that the courts shall take notice of this act in the same manner as general laws of the State, making it cumulative of the general laws of the State except when in conflict with the act, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 390, A bill to be entitled

"An Act to amend Chapter 98 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirtieth Legislature entitled 'An Act to provide for a board to calculate the ad valorem rate of taxes for State purposes each year, and to prescribe the duties of the tax assessor of the various counties in this State,' approved April 15, 1097, as amended by Chapter 13 of the General Laws of the First Called Session of the Thirtieth Legislature, entitled 'An Act to amend an act passed at the Regular Session of the Thirtieth Legislature, entitled "An Act to provide for a board to calculate the ad valorem rate of taxes for State purposes each year, and to prescribe the duties of such board and certain duties of the tax assessors of the various counties of this State," providing that said board shall also calculate the ad valorem rate of taxes for public free school purposes, and also authorizing the commissioners court of the several counties in this State to calculate the rate and to adjust the taxes levied in the several counties or portions thereof for general or special purposes to the taxable values as shown on the assessment rolls,' approved May 16, 1907, and requiring county tax collectors to make statements to the Comptroller of Public Accounts showing the total amounts of property in their counties subject to taxation, and prescribing the time for making such statement."

House bill No. 526, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1098 (1066) of Chapter 3 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the Revised Statutes of 1895, relating to the pay of jail guards."

House bill No. 389, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 2, Title 104, Article 5066, as amended by Chapter 160 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Twenty-sixth Legislature, entitled 'An Act to amend Article 5066, Title 104, Chapter 2, Revised Civil Statutes, relating to the rendition, listing and assessment of property for taxation,' approved June 2, 1899, and Chapter 3, Title 104, Articles 5103, 5104 and 5120 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, and providing for the listing of property for taxation and the time and manner in which property shall be listed for taxation, and the time when the commissioners court of the several counties of this State shall convene and sit as a board of equalization, and prescribing the duties of such boards of equalization."

House bill No. 472, A bill to be entitled "An Act to allow all counties in this

State to determine by a vote of the people as to whether such county shall have a hide and animal inspector, and to provide for filling such office; and providing fees for same; and providing the duties of such officer, and creating an emergency."

House bill No. 217, A bill to be entitled "An Act to carry into effect the amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing that aid may be granted to disabled and dependent Confederate soldiers, sailors and their widows, under certain conditions, and to make an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

When the above House message was read Senator Watson made the point of order that it being past 12 o'clock (Wednesday) that the message could not be received by the rules of the Senate.

The Chair (Senator Alexander) overruled the point of order.

Senator Watson moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, which motion was lost.

HOUSE BILL NO. 473.

Senator Kellie called up House bill No. 473.

The Chair laid before the Senate on third reading.

House bill No. 473, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend an act passed on the 31st day of March, 1903, 'An Act to amend Subdivision 9, of Article 22, Title 4 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1895, changing the time of holding court and the length of terms of court in certain counties in the Ninth Judicial District of the State of Texas.'"

The bill was read third time and passed.

Senator Kellie moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 416.

Senator Paulus called up House bill No. 416.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 416, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 14, Chapter 49 of the General Laws of the Twenty-

seventh Legislature, said chapter being entitled 'An Act to create a more efficient road system for Fayette, Uvalde and Frio counties, Texas.'

On motion of Senator Paulus, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report) by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan. Veale.
Thomas.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

On motion of Senator Paulus, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Paulus, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan. Veale.
Thomas.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

(Lieutenant Governor Davidson in the chair.)

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan. Veale.
Thomas.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

Senator Paulus moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

BILLS READ AND REFERRED.

The Chair (Lieutenant Governor Davidson) had referred, after their captions had been read, the following House bills (see House Message No. 14 for captions):

House bill No. 472, referred to Committee on Stock and Stock Raising.

House bill No. 389, referred to Committee on Finance.

House bill No. 526, referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

House bill No. 217, referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

House bill No. 390, referred to Committee on Finance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 562.

Senator Harper called up House bill No. 562 for Senator Veale, who was absent from the city. There was no objection.

On motion of Senator Harper, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and

the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Paulus.
Alexander.	Peeler.
Brachfield.	Real.
Bryan.	Senter.
Cofer.	Stokes.
Harper.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	Willacy.
Murray.	

Absent.

Hayter.	Terrell of McLennan.
Mayfield.	Thomas.
Meachum.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 562, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Henrietta Independent School District, in Clay county, Texas."

On motion of Senator Harper, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lay over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	Willacy.

Absent.

Mayfield.	Thomas.
Meachum.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

On motion of Senator Harper, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Harper, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Hume.	Thomas.
Terrell of McLennan.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Murray.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Brachfield.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Senter.
Harper.	Stokes.
Hayter.	Sturgeon.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Hume.	Thomas.
Terrell of McLennan.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

Senator Harper moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 200.

Senator Harper called up House bill No. 200.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 200, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 1 and 2, Chapter 9, of the General Laws of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Texas, and being an act to amend Sections 1 and 2, Chapter 23, of the Acts of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Texas, and being an act to amend Sections 1 and 2, Chapter 71, of the Acts of the Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Texas, being an act to amend Section 1, Chapter 24, of the Acts of the Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Texas, being an act to amend Section 1, Chapter 28, of an act passed by the Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas, and sent to the Governor for his approval on the 20th day of May, 1889, entitled 'An Act providing a mode by which horses, mules, jacks, jennets and cattle may be prevented from running at large in the following counties, or in any subdivision of said counties, viz.: Cooke, Bell, Ellis, Montague, Fayette, Jackson, Collin, Rockwall, Lamar, Milam, Denton, Falls, Navarro, Fannin, Hunt, Tarrant, Grayson, Guadalupe, Dallas, Austin, Brazos, so as to place Lavaca, Colorado, Washington, Williamson, Smith and Delta counties under the provisions of said chapter, so as to place McLennan, San Patricio, Limestone, Coryell, Kaufman, Rains, Bastrop, Bee, Camp, Caldwell, Calhoun, Cass, Comanche, Erath, Hill, Harrison, Hopkins, Jackson, Bosque, Montgomery, Morris, Upshur, Parker, Rusk, Red River, Titus, Trinity, Victoria, Van Zandt, Wise, Walker, Wood, Wilson, Comal, Nueces, Bexar, Eastland, Cherokee and Travis counties under the provisions of said chapter, and to provide for holding an election for the purpose of enabling the freeholders of such counties or subdivisions thereof as may have adopted said law to repeal the same, so as to place Brown, Blanco, Coleman, Callahan, Franklin, Gillespie, Hood, Llano, Jones, Jack, Scurry, Somervell, Taylor and Wilbarger under the provisions of said chapter, and to exempt therefrom the counties of Bee, Calhoun, Jackson, Montgomery, Trinity, Victoria and Walker, so as to place Freestone county under the provisions of said chapter."

There being an adverse committee report, with a favorable substitute for the bill, and that the bill be not printed, on motion of Senator Harper, the committee report was adopted.

Senator Murray offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill by adding "Frio county" in both the caption and body of the bill.

Bill read second time, and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Harper, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan. Veale.
Thomas.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

The bill was read third time, and passed.

Senator Harper moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 592.

Senator Hume called up House bill No. 592.

On motion of Senator Hume, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Kellie.
Alexander.	Masterson.
Brachfield.	Mayfield.
Bryan.	Meachum.
Cofer.	Murray.
Harper.	Paulus.
Hayter.	Peeler.
Holsey.	Real.
Hudspeth.	Senter.
Hume.	Stokes.

Sturgeon. Weinert.
Terrell of Bowie. Willacy.
Ward.

Nays—1.

Watson.

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan, Veale.
Thomas.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

On motion of Senator Hume, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	

Absent.

Mayfield. Thomas.
Terrell of Bowie. Veale.
Terrell of McLennan, Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading House bill No. 592 (see committee report for caption of).

The committee report was adopted.

The bill was read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Hume, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Kellie.
Alexander.	Masterson.
Brachfield.	Mayfield.
Bryan.	Meachum.
Cofer.	Murray.
Harper.	Paulus.
Hayter.	Peeler.
Holsey.	Real.
Hudspeth.	Senter.
Hume.	Stokes.

Sturgeon. Watson.
Terrell of Bowie. Weinert.
Ward. Willacy.

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan, Veale.
Thomas.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

The bill was read third time, and passed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 552.

Senator Weinert called up House bill No. 552.

On motion of Senator Weinert, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan, Veale.
Thomas.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 552, A bill to be entitled "An Act to incorporate Lake Victor School District in Burnet county, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Senator Weinert, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Bryan.
Alexander.	Cofer.
Brachfield.	Harper.

Hayter.	Peeler.
Holsey.	Real.
Hudspeth.	Senter.
Hume.	Stokes.
Kellie.	Sturgeon.
Masterson.	Terrell of Bowie.
Mayfield.	Ward.
Meachum.	Watson.
Murray.	Weinert.
Paulus.	Willacy.

Absent.

Greer.	Thomas.
Terrell of McLennan.	Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Perkins.

On motion of Senator Weinert, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Weinert, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan.	Veale.
Thomas.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Hume.
Alexander.	Kellie.
Brachfield.	Masterson.
Bryan.	Mayfield.
Cofer.	Meachum.
Harper.	Murray.
Holsey.	Paulus.
Hudspeth.	Peeler.

Real.	Terrell of Bowie.
Senter.	Watson.
Stokes.	Weinert.
Sturgeon.	Willacy.

Absent.

Hayter.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	Ward.
Thomas.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Weinert moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 564.

Senator Sturgeon called up House bill No. 564, and

On motion of Senator Sturgeon, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	Willacy.
Mayfield.	

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan.	Veale.
Thomas.	Ward.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading.

House bill No. 564. A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Deport Independent School District in Lamar county, Texas."

On motion of Senator Sturgeon, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	Willacy.
Mayfield.	

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan. Veale.
Thomas. Ward.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

On motion of Senator Sturgeon, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Sturgeon, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	Willacy.
Mayfield.	

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan. Veale.
Thomas. Ward.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Harper.
Alexander.	Hayter.
Brachfield.	Holsey.
Bryan.	Hudspeth.
Cofer.	Hume.

Kellie.	Senter.
Masterson.	Stokes.
Mayfield.	Sturgeon.
Meachum.	Terrell of Bowie.
Murray.	Watson.
Paulus.	Weinert.
Peeler.	Willacy.
Real.	

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan. Veale.
Thomas. Ward.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

Senator Sturgeon moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 509.

Senator Brachfield called up House bill No. 509.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 509, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Rusk county."

On motion of Senator Brachfield, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	Willacy.
Mayfield.	

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan. Veale.
Thomas. Ward.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

On motion of Senator Brachfield, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Brachfield, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Mayfield.
Alexander.	Meachum.
Brachfield.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.

Absent.

Terrell of	Veale.
McLennan.	Ward.
Thomas.	Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Mayfield.
Alexander.	Meachum.
Brachfield.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.

Absent.

Terrell of	Veale.
McLennan.	Ward.
Thomas.	Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Brachfield moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 269.

Senator Murray called up House bill No. 269.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 269. A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Article 5001, Title 102, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1895, as amended by Chapter 80 of the Acts of the Twenty-eighth Legislature, and as amended by Chapter 3 of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, relating to the prevention of hogs, sheep and goats from running at large, and declaring an emergency."

(Senator Harper in the chair.)

On motion of Senator Murray, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Mayfield.
Alexander.	Meachum.
Brachfield.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.

Absent.

Terrell of	McLennan	Ward.
Thomas.		Willacy.
Veale.		

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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On motion of Senator Murray, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Murray, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Kellie.
Alexander.	Masterson.
Brachfield.	Mayfield.
Bryan.	Meachum.
Cofer.	Murray.
Harper.	Paulus.
Hayter.	Peeler.
Holsey.	Real.
Hudspeth.	Senter.
Hume.	Stokes.

Sturgeon. Watson.
Terrell of Bowie. Weinert.

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan. Ward.
Thomas. Willacy.
Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

The bill was read third time, and passed.

Senator Murray moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 560.

Senator Cofer called up House bill No. 560.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 560, A bill to be entitled "An Act to incorporate the city of Gainesville, in Cooke county, Texas, and to fix the boundaries thereof, and grant it a special charter, and to define its powers, and to provide for its government and the management of its affairs, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Senator Cofer, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Cofer, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Mayfield.
Alexander.	Meachum.
Brachfield.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan. Ward.
Thomas. Willacy.
Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Mayfield.
Alexander.	Meachum.
Brachfield.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan. Ward.
Thomas. Willacy.
Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

Senator Cofer moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 360.

Senator Cofer called up, for Senator Greer, who was absent, House bill No. 360.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 360, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend an act of the Thirtieth Legislature, entitled 'An Act to reorganize the Fifth Judicial District and the Seventh Judicial District of Texas, and prescribing the time of holding court in the counties composing said district, and validating process, and providing an emergency,' approved April 15, 1907, so as to change terms and times of holding courts in Camp, Upshur and Smith counties, and validating processes, etc., and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act."

On motion of Senator Cofer, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Mayfield.
Alexander.	Meachum.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	

Absent.

Murray.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	Ward.
Thomas.	Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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On motion of Senator Cofer, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The bill was read second time, and passed to third reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 503.

Senator Stokes called up House bill No. 503.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 503, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 2 and 3 of Chapter 53, Special Laws enacted at the Regular Session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, 1905, being a special road law for Houston county; declaring the county commissioners to be ex-officio road supervisors; providing for the working of county convicts on the public roads, and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Senator Stokes, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Kellie.
Alexander.	Masterson.
Brachfield.	Mayfield.
Bryan.	Meachum.
Cofer.	Murray.
Harper.	Paulus.
Hayter.	Peeler.
Holsey.	Real.
Hudspeth.	Senter.
Hume.	Stokes.

Terrell of Bowie.	Watson.
Ward.	Weinert.

Absent.

Sturgeon.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	Willacy.
Thomas.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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On motion of Senator Stokes, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Stokes, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan.	Veale.
Thomas.	Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Mayfield.
Alexander.	Meachum.
Brachfield.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.

Absent.

Sturgeon. Veale.
Terrell of McLennan. Willacy.
Thomas.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

Senator Stokes moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6.

Senator Hayter called up Senate Joint Resolution No. 6.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

Senate Joint Resolution No. 6, To amend Article 11, Sections 4 and 5 of the Constitution of the State, authorizing cities and towns within the State of Texas to be incorporated by special act where the population exceeds 5000 inhabitants.

The resolution was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Kellie.	Weinert.
Masterson.	Willacy.
Mayfield.	

Absent.

Sturgeon. Thomas.
Terrell of McLennan. Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

Senator Hayter moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 614.

Senator Peeler called up House bill No. 614, and

On motion of Senator Peeler, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read

on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Mayfield.
Alexander.	Meachum.
Brachfield.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.

Absent.

Sturgeon. Veale.
Terrell of McLennan. Willacy.
Thomas.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 614, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 3, Chapter 61 of the Special Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Thirtieth Legislature, which is an act to create a more efficient road system for Burnet county, Texas."

On motion of Senator Peeler, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Mayfield.
Alexander.	Meachum.
Brachfield.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.

Absent.

Sturgeon. Veale.
Terrell of McLennan. Willacy.
Thomas.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

On motion of Senator Peeler, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Peeler, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan.	Veale.
Thomas.	Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	

Absent.

Terrell of McLennan.	Veale.
Thomas.	Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Peeler moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 322.

Senator Hudspeth called up, by unanimous consent, Senate bill No. 322.

On motion of Senator Hudspeth, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	Willacy.
Thomas.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

Senate bill No. 322, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Bronte Independent School District, in Coke county, Texas."

On motion of Senator Hudspeth, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	Willacy.
Thomas.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

On motion of Senator Hudspeth, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Hudspeth, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Sturgeon.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Kellie.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Sturgeon.	Veale.
Terrell of McLennan.	Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

Senator Hudspeth moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6.

Senator Terrell of Bowie moved that the Senate rescind all action upon the final passage of Senate Joint Resolution No. 6.

On that motion Senator Meachum moved a call of the Senate for the purpose of securing and maintaining a quorum, the motion being duly seconded.

The roll was called, the following answering to their names, a quorum being present:

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Kellie.	Veale.
Sturgeon.	Willacy.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Perkins.

Senator Watson moved that the Sergeant-at-Arms be directed to bring in the absentees.

Senator Murray moved, as a substitute, that the call be dissolved, which motion prevailed.

Action then recurred on the motion to rescind the vote by which Senate Joint Resolution No. 6 was finally passed.

The motion to rescind prevailed.

Senator Meachum offered the following amendment:

Amend the resolution, page 1 of the caption, by striking out the words "five thousand" and insert in lieu thereof the words "twenty-five hundred," and amend the resolution in line 2, page 1 of the printed bill, Section 4, by striking out the words "five thousand" and insert in lieu thereof "twenty-five hundred," and amend the resolution as printed in line 20, page 1, Section 5, by striking out the words "five thousand" and insert in lieu thereof "twenty-five hundred."

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Kellie.	Veale.
Sturgeon.	Willacy.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The resolution was then read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Bryan.	Paulus.
Cofer.	Peeler.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Kellie.	Veale.
Sturgeon.	Willacy.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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Senator Meachum moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 585.

Senator Hayter called up House bill No. 585.

On motion of Senator Hayter, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Sturgeon.
Hudspeth.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hume.	Ward.
Masterson.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.

Absent.

Brachfield.	Thomas.
Kellie.	Veale.
Murray.	Willacy.
Terrell of McLennan.	

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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On motion of Senator Hayter, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report), by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	

Absent.

Brachfield.	Terrell of McLennan.
Kellie.	Thomas.
Murray.	Veale.
Sturgeon.	Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.	Perkins.
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The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 585, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Sunset Independent School District in Montague county, Texas."

On motion of Senator Hayter, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Hayter, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended, and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	

Absent.

Brachfield.	Terrell of McLennan.
Kellie.	Thomas.
Murray.	Veale.
Sturgeon.	Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Real.
Harper.	Senter.
Hayter.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Terrell of Bowie.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Watson.
Masterson.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	

Absent.

Brachfield.	Terrell of McLennan.
Kellie.	Thomas.
Murray.	Veale.
Sturgeon.	Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer. Perkins.

Senator Hayter moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

BILLS SIGNED.

The Chair (Lieutenant Governor Davidson) gave notice of signing, and did sign, in the presence of the Senate, after

their captions had been read, the following bills:

House bill No. 576, "An Act to incorporate the city of Fort Worth, Tarrant county, Texas, and to grant it a new special charter for its local government, to define its powers, and to prescribe its duties and liabilities, creating it an independent school district, and vesting the management and control of its schools in a board of school trustees, repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 535, "An Act to grant a new charter to the city of Beaumont, in Jefferson county, Texas, and to fix boundaries thereof, and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 319, "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Titus county, Texas."

House bill No. 310, "An Act to amend Sections 7 and 13 of the special road laws of Bell county, Chapter 63, Acts of the Legislature of 1899, as amended in Chapter 52, Acts of the Legislature of 1907, Special Laws, so as to regulate the pay of county commissioners when acting as road commissioners, and to regulate the time when payment may be made by persons liable to road duty of \$3.00, so as to excuse such persons from road duty, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 411, "An Act to amend Section 11, Chapter 76 of special road law for Erath county of the Acts of the Twenty-seventh Legislature, fixing the compensation of road commissioners, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 514, "An Act to amend Senate bill No. 35, an act of the Thirty-first Legislature, and approved by the Governor on the 20th day of February, 1909, to read as follows: To exempt the counties of Val Verde, Medina, Terrell, Jeff Davis, Jackson, Hidalgo, Bander, Van Zandt, Crosby, Kaufman, Mitchell, Ward, Rains, Erath and Bexar from the provisions and operation of Articles 5002 and 504 inclusive, Chapter 6, Title 102 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1895, amended by the Acts of the Twenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth Legislatures, relating to the inspection of hides and animals, and repealing all laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 414, "An Act to amend Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4, Chapter 55 of an act passed by the Twenty-eighth Legislature at its Regular Session in 1903, and entitled 'An Act to create a special road law for Delta county, and providing

for levying and collecting a road tax; and authorizing the commissioners court of said county to employ road superintendents and laborers on the public roads thereof; also to work convicts in opening, laying out and repairing said roads; giving the commissioners court the power to establish, change, improve or discontinue public roads, and to purchase and use all necessary teams and implements for that purpose, and giving to said court the power to condemn land for establishing, widening, draining and otherwise improving the public roads, and to cause obstructions to be removed therefrom; making each commissioner of said county a road superintendent in his precinct, and prescribing his duties; fixing the compensation for county commissioners for road service, and providing for the general supervision by the commissioners court of all public roads in said county, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 77, "An Act to amend Section 2, Chapter 78 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirtieth Legislature relating to the taking of fish, the purpose of the amendment being to include Brazos, Clay, Collin, Fayette, Gillespie, Hunt, Jack, Kaufman, Mitchell, Rains, Rusk and Van Zandt counties in the exemption of said Section 2, and to strike from the list of counties exempted under the provisions of said Section 2, Harrison and Lavaca counties."

Senate bill No. 56, "An Act to repeal Chapter 5 of the Acts of the Special Session of the Thirtieth Legislature, creating independent school district for Nixon, Wilson and Gonzales counties, Texas."

Senate bill No. 62, "An Act making it a criminal offense for any person to send to another person an anonymous letter or writing reflecting upon the integrity, chastity, virtue, good character or reputation of any person, or wherein the life of any person is threatened, and prescribing a penalty for the violation thereof, and declaring an emergency."

Senate bill No. 247, "An Act to authorize and empower Lamar county or any political subdivision of said county by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the resident property taxpayers, qualified voters of such county or political subdivision thereof voting thereon, to issue bonds, to any amount, not exceeding one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of such county, or of such political subdivision, and to levy and collect taxes to pay the interest on such bonds, and to provide a sinking fund

for the redemption thereof for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating macadamized, ballasted, gravelled or paved roads and turnpikes, and prescribing ways and means of conducting and supervising said work."

Senate bill No. 240, "An Act defining what shall be a full crew on passenger trains, run by railroad companies or receivers of railroad companies, doing business in this State; what shall be a full crew on freight, gravel or construction trains, run by such railroad companies or receivers, and what shall be a full crew on light engines run by such railroad companies or receivers; providing for certain cases to which this act shall not apply, rendering it unlawful for any such railroad company or receiver to run any train or light engine, subject to this act without, in each instance, having the full crew required, imposing a penalty for each violation by any railroad company or receiver of any of the provisions of the act; prescribing the venue of suits to recover penalties for violations of this act and the officers by whom the suits shall be brought, and declaring an emergency."

Senate bill No. 313, "An Act granting Palestine, Anderson county, Texas, a new charter of incorporation, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 90, "An Act to prohibit the buying and selling of pools or receiving and making bets on horse racing; to prohibit the leasing of premises for pool rooms, and to provide a penalty for its violation, and to repeal the Act approved May 2, 1905, and published and known as Chapter 165 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, entitled 'An Act to amend Sections 1, 2 and 3, and adding thereto Sections 4 and 5 of Chapter 1 of the General Laws of Texas, passed at the Regular Session of the Twenty-eighth Legislature, entitled 'An Act to prohibit the buying and selling of pools or receiving or making bets on horse racing,' to prohibit leasing premises for pool rooms and to provide a penalty for its violation; prohibiting horse racing and betting on horse racing on Sunday, and providing that a conviction may be had upon the unsupported evidence of an accomplice or participant, and exempting such witnesses from prosecution, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 251, "An Act to vitalize and legalize all sales of real estate belonging or that belonged to Atascosa

county, situated in the town of Pleasanton, in Atascosa county, heretofore made at private sale for and in behalf of said county, by commissioners, each in his representative capacity as commissioner, under appointment of the commissioners court of said county, by orders entered upon its minutes, to sell and dispose of real estate of said county situated in said town, and also validating all conveyances of said real estate made by said commissioners as such, in consummating such sales, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 290, "An Act to amend Section 2, Chapter 63 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Thirtieth Legislature, relating to the sale or offer of sale or to the shipment for sale, in the county of Montgomery, of any squirrels and providing a penalty, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 204, "An Act to amend Article 4978, Chapter 5, Title 102 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1895, relative to the mode of preventing certain animals from running at large in counties and subdivisions."

House bill No. 583, "An Act to amend Subdivision 5 of Article 11 of an act entitled 'An Act to grant a new charter to the city of Dallas, Dallas county, Texas,' etc., passed by the Thirtieth Legislature, and approved April 13, 1907."

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Senator Terrell of Bowie, the Senate adjourned until 11 o'clock tomorrow.

APPENDIX A.

BILLS PRINTED IN JOURNAL.

The following bills, Senate bill No. 246 and House bill No. 493, are printed here by order of the Senate (see committee reports for order).

S. B. No. 246. By Hudspeth.

A BILL

To be entitled

An Act to amend Article 3356, Chapter 2, Title 67 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relative to the statute of limitations, and providing that actions based upon county scrip shall be commenced and prosecuted within four years after the cause of action shall have accrued, and

providing for cancellation of the same, and providing for an emergency.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas that Article 3356, Chapter 2, Title 67 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Article 3356. There shall be commenced and prosecuted within four years after the cause of action shall have accrued, and not afterwards, all actions or suits in court of the following description:

1. Actions for debt where the indebtedness is evidenced by or founded upon any contract in writing.

2. Actions for penalty or damages on the penal clause of a bond to convey real estate.

3. Actions by one partnership against his co-partner for a settlement of the partnership account, or upon mutual or current accounts concerning the trade of merchandise between merchant and merchant, their factors or agents; and the cause of action shall be construed as having accrued on a cessation of the dealings in which they were interested together.

4. All claims against a county evidenced by or founded upon scrip duly and regularly issued; and if said scrip is in the possession of the county or district clerk and has not been called for by any person legally entitled thereto, the cause of action shall be construed as having accrued at the time that there were funds in the hands of the county treasurer to pay off said scrip in its regular order of registration.

And the county and district clerks shall make report at each regular term of the commissioners court of such scrip so held by them, designating it by number, date, amount and party to whom issued, and the commissioners court shall then order said scrip to be canceled and direct said clerk to credit the account of registered indebtedness with said scrip so canceled according to the respective funds upon which the same was drawn; and the county treasurer shall also report to the commissioners court at each regular term thereof the amount of said scrip so outstanding, and said commissioners court shall order said scrip to be canceled and direct the treasurer to mark the same as canceled on his register, and credit the funds upon which said scrip was drawn, with the amount so ordered canceled.

Section 5. The fact that there is no

law providing that the statute of limitations shall run against county scrip, and the fact that there are thousands of dollars set aside and lying idle in the hands of the county treasurers of this State, awaiting demands that in all human probability will never be made thereon, and the fact that the county and district clerks in this State are holding thousands of dollars of scrip that has not and never will, in all human probability, be called for by the owners thereof, requiring the constant care of the clerks to guard and protect, and the fact that said funds and said scrip are constantly accumulating and growing in amount, creates an emergency and imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that this act take effect from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

H. B. No. 493. By Terrell of Bexar.

A BILL

To be entitled

An Act for the purpose of enlarging the Southwestern Insane Asylum, for the segregation of the consumptive insane of the State, and making appropriations therefor, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That there is hereby appropriated out of the general revenue of the State of Texas the sum of \$125,000 for the purpose of enlarging the Southwestern Insane Asylum at San Antonio, in Bexar county, Texas, and said amount is to be expended in the following manner:

Sec. 2. The sum of \$125,000, or so much thereof as is necessary, shall be used for constructing a separate building for the care of the consumptive insane, and said building shall be so constructed so as to accommodate not less than 200 patients. While the building shall be separate and apart from that of the other main buildings, it shall be under the same management and control. This building shall be erected, having due regard for light and air, and shall be constructed in the best possible manner for the treatment of consumption.

Sec. 3. The consumptives from all the asylums in the State may be sent to this consumptive department of the South-

western Insane Asylum, and the expense of sending them shall be borne by the asylum so sending them, and the expense thereof shall be paid out of the general appropriation for such asylum.

Sec. 4. The Governor, as soon as practicable after the passage of this act, shall advertise in such manner as he may think best for plans and specifications for said buildings. The plans and specifications shall be selected by the Governor, Comptroller and State Treasurer, acting together as a board for that purpose, and when the plans and specifications are so selected they shall let the contract for the construction of said buildings, according to such plans and specifications for said buildings to the lowest and best bidder who shall give a good and sufficient bond for the completion of said building according to the contract entered into by them; provided, that the total cost of said buildings and equipment shall not exceed the amount hereby appropriated.

Sec. 5. The fact that there is now about 200 insane in the jails in this State, and that there is no room to accommodate them in our asylums at the present time, and the further fact that there is no method of segregating those afflicted with consumption, and the disease is rapidly spreading among the insane, creates an imperative public necessity, which requires that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three separate days be suspended, and that this act take effect from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 605, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Hamlin Independent School District in Jones county, Texas, defining its boundaries, providing for the election of a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district, investing said district with the rights, powers, privileges and duties of a town or village incorporated for free school purposes only under the general laws, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to

the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Alexander, Chairman; Harper, Sturgeon, Meachum, Bryan, Hume, Weinert, Willacy.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

House bill No. 182, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for revising, digesting and publishing the civil and criminal laws of the State of Texas, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Meachum, Chairman; Masterson, Senter, Ward, Paulus, Cofer, Stokes.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

House bill No. 615, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 3, of Chapter 79 of Acts of the Thirtieth Legislature, passed at the Regular Session, 1907, so that it shall hereafter read as follows, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Meachum, Chairman; Hume, Paulus, Peeler, Stokes, Cofer, Senter, Ward.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 503, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 2 and 3 of Chapter 53, Special Laws enacted at the Regular Session of the Twenty-eighth Legislature, 1903, being Special Road Law for Houston county, declaring the county commissioners to be ex-officio road supervisors, providing for the working of county convicts on the public roads, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to

the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Acting Chairman; Mayfield, Paulus, Murray, Peeler, Sturgeon.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 497, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 19, Chapter 38, of the Acts of the Twenty-seventh Legislature, relating to pay of Hood county road commissioners, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Acting Chairman; Mayfield, Peeler, Paulus, Murray, Sturgeon.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Towns and City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 595, A bill to be entitled "An Act to permit all villages, towns and cities having a population of not less than 10,000 inhabitants, whether incorporated or unincorporated, to adopt the commission form of government, consisting of three commissioners, one of whom shall be the mayor, to be elected at large from said village, town or city; to fix duties and powers of same; terms of office and compensation, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Chairman; Peeler, Sturgeon, Real, Holsey, Alexander, Masterson, Hume.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 321, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Robert Lee Independent School District, etc.,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Alexander, Chairman; Harper, Sturgeon, Brachfield, Weinert, Hume, Willacy, Real, Bryan.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 564, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Deport Independent School District, in Lamar county, Texas, defining its boundaries; providing for the election of a board of trustees to manage and control the public free school within said district, investing said district with the rights, powers, privileges and duties of a town or village incorporated for free school purposes only under the General Laws, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Alexander, Chairman; Weinert, Hume, Brachfield, Harper, Bryan, Meachum, Sturgeon.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 322, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Bronte Independent School District in Coke county, Texas, etc.,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Alexander, Chairman; Harper, Sturgeon, Brachfield, Weinert, Hume, Willacy, Real, Bryan.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 562, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Henrietta Inde-

pendent School District in Clay county, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing for a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district; investing said district with the rights, powers, privileges and duties of a town or village incorporated for free school purposes only under the General Laws, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Alexander, Chairman; Harper, Weinert, Meachum, Willacy, Bryan, Brachfield.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 607, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating an independent school district in the county of Grayson, State of Texas, to be known as the Dorchester Independent School District, and to have all the powers, rights and duties of independent school districts formed by the incorporation of towns and villages for free school purposes only."

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Alexander, Chairman; Real, Hume, Willacy, Meachum, Harper.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred

House bill No. 260, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 114 and Section 120, Chapter 177 of the Acts of the Thirtieth Legislature, 1907, relating to elections, manner of holding, and providing for the election of district chairman and executive committee of the various districts, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith."

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Thomas, Chairman; Hume, Ward, Real, Adams.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Stock and Stock Raising, to whom was referred

House bill No. 472, A bill to be entitled "An Act to allow all counties in this State to determine by a vote of the people as to whether such county shall have a hide and animal inspector, and to provide for filling such office, and providing fees for same, and providing the duties of such officer, and creating an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Adams, Chairman; Hudspeth, Bryan, Alexander, Real, Willacy.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 291, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the incorporation of life, accident and health insurance companies, and defining same, and to authorize such companies to transact business in the State of Texas; to authorize other like companies incorporated under the laws of other States, Territories and countries to transact business in this State; to regulate the business of such companies; to define the duties and powers of the Commissioner of Insurance and Banking and give to him authority to issue, suspend and revoke permits to such companies to transact business in this State and to apply for the appointment of a receiver for such companies when they become unpaid; defining the method of arriving at the value of personal property of such companies for the purpose of State, county and municipal taxation and exempting such companies from an occupation or gross receipts tax; to fix the situs of personal property of such companies for the purpose of taxation; to permit the deposit of securities in the office of the State Treasurer, fixing venue of suits and providing the method and manner of service of process; providing penalties for violation of the provisions of this act;

repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 65, A bill to be entitled "An Act to place the State's Alamo property under the control and management of the State Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds, and his successors in office, and for putting said property in proper condition, and collecting rents on same, and providing an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 317, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a more efficient road system for Brown county, Texas,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
WARD, Chairman.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

House bill No. 297, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the taking and perpetuating of evidence for the purpose of establishing the identity of Confederate veterans, and such facts as will prove their right to a pension under and by virtue of the pension laws of Texas."

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Meachum, Chairman; Senter, Peeler, Paulus, Brachfield, Thomas, Hume, Ward.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads,

Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 509, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Rusk county, and defining the duties of county judge and commissioners; providing for the appointment of road superintendents, and defining their duties; providing for the working of county convicts and delinquent poll taxpayers on the public roads of said county; providing for the rewards and penalties for escaped convicts; providing for the relieving of delinquent poll taxpayers from road duties by the payment of \$3.00; providing for the appointment of road overseers, and requiring them to work the road five full days, and the apportioning of road hands; providing for the duties of road overseers and road hands, and fixing penalties for failure of their duties, and the relieving of road hands from service upon the payment of \$4.00; giving general powers to the commissioners courts to lay out new roads, to discontinue public roads, and to change public roads, and the acquiring roadbeds for new roads by purchase or by condemnation proceedings, the making of this law cumulative of the general road laws of the State, and in case of conflict with the General Laws of the State, this act to govern as to Rusk county, and to repeal Chapter 42, Acts of the Thirtieth Legislature, 1907, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Acting Chairman; Peeler, Murray, Terrell of McLennan, Paulus, Mayfield, Sturgeon.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Finance Committee, to whom was referred

House bill No. 478, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Governor of the State of Texas to purchase and receive a transfer from Mrs. John H. Reagan on behalf of the State, of the books and papers of the Hon. John H. Reagan, deceased, and making an appropriation of \$10,000 to pay therefor,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back

to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Willacy, Chairman; Meachum, Holsey, Weinert, Paulus, Peeler, Harper, Sturgeon.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 488, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Kendall county, Texas, and making the commissioners of said county ex-officio road commissioners in their respective precincts, and prescribing their duties as such, and authorizing the appointment of road commissioners, and providing for the compensation of road commissioners or supervisor; defining the duties of the commissioners court with reference to roads and bridges; providing for the appointment of overseers and defining their duties, and providing for and fixing their compensation for certain labor; providing penalties for violation of the provisions of this act; giving persons subject to road duty in Kendall county and persons summoned to work on the public roads of said county the right to be relieved from the discharge of such duty upon the payment of specific sums of money herein stipulated, and providing for the accounting for and the disposition to be made of the money so paid; limiting the purpose for which road and bridge funds shall be used; authorizing and providing for the working of county convicts upon the public roads, and providing for the payments of the officers' fees; providing that delinquent poll taxpayers shall be subject to work at 50 cents per day; requiring the tax collector of Kendall county to furnish to the commissioners court a list of persons who fail to pay their poll tax; providing for the condemnation of any land needed for the widening, straightening, changing or draining of public roads; providing for taking of timber, gravel, earth, stone or other material for the making of public roads and bridges; providing that this act shall control in Kendall county in all cases wherein it differs from or is consistent and conflicts with the general law on the subject of roads and bridges, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back

to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Acting Chairman; Mayfield, Sturgeon, Terrell of McLennan, Peeler.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 577, A bill to be entitled "An Act of the Special Laws of the Twenty-sixth Legislature, Section 14, Chapter 41 of the Parker county road law, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Acting Chairman; Mayfield, Terrell of McLennan, Paulus, Sturgeon, Peeler.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 580, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for the counties of Newton, Jasper and Sabine, composing the Twentieth Representative District of Texas, and making the county commissioners of said counties ex-officio road commissioners, and prescribing their duties as such, and providing for their compensation as such road commissioners; and providing for the working of county convicts upon the public roads of said counties, and providing for the amount of compensation in road time to be allowed by overseers to road hands for teams and road work; and providing for the condemnation of land for public road purposes; and providing further, making this law cumulative of the general laws, and in case of conflict this act to govern as to Newton, Jasper and Sabine counties, Texas, and fixing a penalty for the violation of this act; and repealing all laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Acting Chairman; Peeler,

Sturgeon, Paulus, Terrell of McLennan, Mayfield, Murray.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 614, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 3, Chapter 61 of the Special Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Thirtieth Legislature, which is an act to create a more efficient road system for Burnet county, and to prescribe the compensation for road hands employed by the commissioners court to work on the public roads of Burnet county, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be not printed.

Senter, Acting Chairman; Mayfield, Peeler, Paulus, Sturgeon, Terrell of McLennan.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 466, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 19 of Chapter 1, Special Laws of Texas, as passed by the Twenty-ninth Legislature, being entitled 'An Act to create a more efficient road system for Archer county, Texas, and making county commissioners of said county ex-officio road commissioners, and prescribing their duties as such, and providing for their compensation as such road commissioners, and providing for the working of county convicts upon the roads of said county, and providing a penalty for the escape of convicts, and providing for the amount of compensation in road time to be allowed by overseers to road hands for teams and work, and providing for the condemnation of lands for public road purposes, and providing for the working of delinquent poll taxpayers on the public roads, and relieving road hands for the performance of road work by the payment of the sum of \$3.00, and providing for the levy and collection of a special road tax of 15 cents on the \$100 valuation of property

in Archer county, and providing further, making this law cumulative of the General Laws, and in case of conflict this act to govern as to Archer county, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Acting Chairman; Peeler, Murray, Paulus, Terrell of McLennan, Mayfield, Sturgeon.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 474, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Runnels county, Texas, and making the commissioners of said court ex-officio road commissioners in their respective precincts, and providing for the appointment of deputies; defining the powers and duties of the commissioners court with reference to roads and bridges; providing for the appointment of road overseers, and defining their duties and providing for and fixing their compensation for certain labor; providing penalties for the violation of this act; giving persons subject to road duty in Runnels county and persons summoned to work on the public roads of said county the right to be relieved from the discharge of such duty upon the payment of specific sums of money herein stipulated, and providing for the accounting for and the disposition to be made of the money so paid; providing that delinquent poll taxpayers shall be subject to three days' road duty; requiring the tax collector of Runnels county to furnish to the commissioners court a list of all persons who fail to pay their poll tax; providing for the compensation of road commissioners; providing for the amount of compensation in road time to be allowed by overseers to road hands for teams and road work; providing further, for ordering an election to be held in Runnels county by the qualified property taxpaying voters to determine whether or not an additional ad valorem tax for road and bridge purposes shall be levied and collected in said county; also giving the commissioners court the power to establish, change, improve or discontinue public roads with or without petition and no-

tice as the circumstances may be, and providing that this act shall control in Runnels county in all cases wherein it differs or is in conflict with the General Laws on the subject of roads, and making this act cumulative, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Acting Chairman; Mayfield, Paulus, Peeler, Murray, Sturgeon.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Stock and Stock Raising, to whom was referred

House bill No. 592, A bill to be entitled "An Act to exempt Karnes county from the provisions of Chapter 3, Title 102, Revised Civil Statutes of 1895, and from the provisions of Chapter 39 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Twenty-third Legislature, 1893, and from the provisions of Chapter 12, Title 17 of the Penal Code in so far as the same relate to the inspection of the ears and hides of animals slaughtered by butchers, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Adams, Chairman; Alexander, Real, Bryan, Hudspeth, Murray.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Stock and Stock Raising, to whom was referred

House bill No. 269, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Article 5001, Title 102, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1895, as amended by Chapter 80 of the Acts of the Twenty-eighth Legislature, and as amended by Chapter 3 of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, relating to the prevention of hogs, sheep and goats from running at large, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Adams, Chairman; Alexander, Real, Bryan, Hudspeth, Murray.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 12, Validating the sale by the State of Texas of one-half of Section No. 966, T. C. Ry. Co. land in Uvalde county, to J. W. Hatch, on May 26, 1901; also the sale of one-half section No. 968, T. C. Ry. Co. land in Uvalde county, made to J. W. Brashier, on October 27, 1901, and directing the Commissioner of the General Land Office to issue patents to same,

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Cofer, Acting Chairman; Stokes, Thomas, Weinert, Masterson, Watson.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Towns and City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 417, A bill to be entitled "An Act to validate the incorporation of the city of Rule, in Haskell county, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Chairman; Peeler, Cofer, Terrell of McLennan, Willacy, Holsey, Sturgeon, Alexander, Masterson, Hume.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Towns and City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 573, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 4 of an act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the city of Waco and to define its boundaries and powers, passed by the Twenty-first Legislature and approved February 19, 1889, said Section 4 having been amended by Section 1 of an act passed by the Twenty-fifth Legislature, Chapter 3, page 7, Special Laws of Texas, 1897, and by Section 7, page 219, Chapter 25, Special

Laws 1905,' and said Section 4 as amended is here now amended by changing the number of officers and method of their election and fixing salaries of some of them, and generally prescribing their duties and powers, and this act further amending said act of 1889 by amending and re-enacting Section 3 of an act passed by the Twenty-ninth Legislature and approved March 30, 1905, and further amended by an act by the Thirty-first Legislature, and approved —day of —, 1909, all this act relating to the municipal government of Waco, which said Section 3 begins on page 213 and ends on page 215 of the Special Laws of Texas of 1905, and is amendatory of said act of 1889, with its amendments, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Chairman; Masterson, Peeler, Hume, Sturgeon, Holsey, Alexander, Terrell of McLennan.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 9, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Towns and City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 368, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Galveston so as to prescribe saloon limits in the city of Galveston by adding to said charter Sections 62a, 62b and 62c, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Chairman; Masterson, Peeler, Holsey, Alexander, Terrell of McLennan, Hume, Sturgeon.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 563, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating Carlton Independent School District, in Hamilton county, Texas, and defining its boundaries; providing for the election of a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district; defin-

ing the title to school property in said district, naming fiscal year as to taxes, investing the said district with all the powers, rights and duties of independent school districts formed for free school purposes only, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Alexander, Chairman; Real, Bryan, Sturgeon, Weinert, Harper.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 530, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Shamrock Independent School District in Wheeler county, Texas, defining its boundaries; providing for the election of a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district, with the rights, powers, privileges and duties of a town or village incorporated for free school purposes only under the general laws, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Alexander, Chairman; Brachfield, Real, Willacy, Bryan, Harper.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 552, A bill to be entitled "An Act to incorporate Lake Victor School District, in Burnet county, an independent district; fixing the boundaries thereof, and to provide for the election of trustees, regulating their duties; raising revenue by taxation; issuing bonds and maintaining public schools therein, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

ALEXANDER, Chairman.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 559, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Palmer Independent School District in Ellis county, Texas; defining its boundaries; providing for the election of a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district; investing said district with the rights, powers, privileges and duties of a town or village incorporated for free school purposes only under the general laws, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Alexander, Chairman; Real, Brachfield, Bryan, Willacy, Hume, Weinert.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 316, A bill to be entitled "An Act prescribing the duties and powers of city councils of cities operating under Chapters 1 to 10, Title 18, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1895, empowering such city councils to require railroad companies operating within their corporate limits to keep and maintain lights at street and railroad crossings in such towns and cities, and to keep and maintain flagmen and watchmen at such crossings, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 123, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 147, page 313 of the General Laws of the Thirtieth Legislature, which act sought here to be amended was an act to create in the Department of Agriculture of Texas a Bureau of Cotton Statistics; prescribing

ing the duties of the Commissioner of Agriculture, the county clerks, public ginners, and prescribing penalties for the violation of this act, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 84, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 4, 8, 10, 11, Chapter 137 of an act passed by the Regular Session of the Thirtieth Legislature of Texas, 'An Act changing the official titles of the State Fish and Oyster Commissioner to Game, Fish and Oyster Commissioner; providing for his salary and fixing his additional powers and duties; providing for a hunting license for non-resident hunters; providing that funds received for the sale of hunting licenses and fines received from prosecutions for a violation of the game and bird laws, shall be used for the protection and propagation of birds and game, and all salaries and expenses provided by this act, and providing for the enforcement of the game and bird laws of this State, and providing penalties for the violation thereof; providing for resident hunting licenses for resident hunters in the State of Texas; providing that funds received from the sale of hunting licenses be used for the purpose of protecting and propagating game and birds and the salaries and expenses of the Game Commissioner and his deputies; providing for an additional license allowing the privilege of the Game Commissioner to issue permits to persons desiring to ship domesticated deer or any pet fowl or bird for breeding or exhibition; requiring the exhibit of the head of a deer as an evidence of sex; authorizing county clerks to issue licenses; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed

Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 264, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 5 and 6 of Chapter 134 of the General Laws passed by the Thirtieth Legislature, entitled 'An Act to authorize any county, or any political subdivision of a county upon a vote of two-thirds majority of the resident property taxpayers voting thereon, who are qualified electors of such county or political subdivision of the county, to issue bonds or otherwise lend its credit in any amount not to exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of such county or political subdivision thereof, and to levy and collect taxes to pay the interest on said bonds, and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption thereof for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating macadamized, graveled and paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof, and to add thereto Section 6a, creating road districts, and making them bodies corporate, and creating the office of road superintendent in such road districts, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 318, A bill to be entitled "An Act to grant a charter for the city of Corpus Christi in Nueces county, Texas,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room

Austin, Texas, March 9, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills has carefully examined and compared Senate bill No. 183, and find it correctly enrolled, and have this day, at 3 o'clock p. m., presented same to the Governor for his approval.

TERRELL of McLennan, Chairman.

Following is the enrolled bill in full:

An Act prohibiting nepotism, except with regard to the appointment or confirmation of appointment of

notaries public, making it unlawful for any officer of this State, or for any officer of any district, county, city, precinct, school district or other municipal subdivision of this State, or for any officer or member of any State, district, county, city, school district or other municipal boards or judge of any court, created by or under authority of any general or special law of this State, to appoint, or to vote for or to confirm, the appointment to any office, position, clerkship, employment or duty, of any person related within the second degree by affinity or within the third degree by consanguinity to the person so appointing or so voting, or to any other member of any such board or court of which such person so appointing or voting may be a member, when the salary, fees, wages, pay or compensation of such appointee is to be paid, directly or indirectly, out of or from public funds or fees of office; to appoint or vote for the appointment or for confirmation of the appointment to any such office, position, clerkship, employment or duty of any person whose services are to be rendered under his direction or control and to be paid for out of any such public funds or fees of office, and who is related by affinity within the second degree, to any other officer or person included within any of the provisions of this act for or upon the consideration, in whole or in part, that such other officer or person has theretofore appointed or voted for the appointment or for the confirmation of the appointment or will thereafter appoint or vote for the appointment, or for the confirmation of the appointment, to any such office, position, clerkship, employment or duty, of any person related within such prohibited degree of affinity, or consanguinity, as the case may be, to such officer or other person making such appointment; prohibiting the approval of any account or the drawing of any warrant or order for or payment of any salary, fee, wages or compensation of such ineligible officer or person; prescribing penalties for violation of this act and procedure for the enforcement of such penalties; prescribing venue in such cases; requiring district and county attorneys to assist the Attorney General, whenever he shall so direct, in quo warranto proceedings under this act; repealing all laws and parts of laws in

conflict with any of the provisions of this act; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. Subject to the exceptions set forth in Section 4 of this act, it shall hereafter be unlawful for any officer of this State, or for any officer of any district, county, city, precinct, school district or other municipal subdivision of this State, or for any officer or member of any State, district, county, city, school district or other municipal board or judge of any court, created by or under authority of any general or special law of this State, to appoint, or to vote for or to confirm, the appointment to any office, clerkship, employment or duty, of any person related within the second degree by affinity or within the third degree by consanguinity to the person so appointing or so voting, or to any other member of any such board or court of which such person so appointing or voting may be a member, when the salary, fee, wages, pay or compensation of such appointee is to be paid for, directly or indirectly, out of or from public funds or fees of office of any kind or character whatever.

Sec. 2. The inhibitions declared by and set forth in this act shall apply to and include the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, railroad commissioners, heads of departments of the State government, judges and members of any and all boards and courts established by or under authority of any general or special law of this State, mayors, commissioners, recorders, aldermen and members of school boards of incorporated cities and towns, public school trustees, officers and members of boards of managers of the State University, and of its several branches, and of the various State education institutions, and of the various State eleemosynary institutions, and of the penitentiaries; but this enumeration is not intended and shall not be construed or held to exclude from the operation and effect of this act any person included within its general provisions.

Sec. 3. It shall be unlawful for any officer or other person included within any of the provisions of this act to appoint or vote for appointment or for confirmation of appointment to any such office, position, clerkship, employment or duty, of any person whose services are to be rendered under his direction or control and to be paid for, directly or indirectly,

out of any such public funds or fees of office, and who is related by affinity within the second degree or by consanguinity within the third degree to any such officer or person included within any of the provisions of this act, in consideration, in whole or in part, that such other officer or person has theretofore appointed, or voted for the appointment or for the confirmation of the appointment, or will thereafter appoint or vote for the appointment, or for the confirmation of the appointment, to any such office, position, clerkship, employment or duty, of any person whomsoever related within the second degree by affinity or within the third degree by consanguinity to such officer or other person making such appointment.

Sec. 4. Nothing in this act shall apply to any appointment to the office of notary public or to confirmation thereof.

Sec. 5. No executive, legislative, judicial or ministerial officer or other person included within any of the provisions of Section 1 of this act shall approve any account or authorize the drawing of or draw any warrant or order, or pay any salary, fee, wages or compensation of such ineligible officer or person knowing him to be so ineligible.

Sec. 6. Any violation of any of the provisions of this act shall constitute a misdemeanor involving official misconduct, and shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$1000.

In addition to any other penalty imposed by this act, any person who shall violate any of its provisions shall be removed from his aforesaid office, position, clerkship, employment or duty.

Such removal from office shall be made in conformity to the provisions of the Constitution of this State concerning removal from office in all cases to which they may be applicable. All other removals from office under the provisions of this act shall be by quo warranto proceedings. All removals from any such position, clerkship, employment or duty under the provisions of this act shall be summarily made, forthwith, by the appointing power in the particular instance, whenever the judgment of conviction in a criminal prosecution in the particular case under the provisions of this act, shall become final; provided, that if such removal be not so made within thirty days after such judgment of conviction shall become final, the person holding such position, clerkship or employment, or performing such duty, may be removed therefrom as herein

provided with reference to removal from office.

All quo warranto proceedings under the provisions of this act shall be instituted by the Attorney General in one of the district courts of Travis county, or in the district court of the county in which the defendant may reside, and concurrent jurisdiction in such suits is hereby conferred upon such courts.

In such suits the district attorney or the county attorney of the county in which such suit may be filed shall assist the Attorney General whenever he shall so direct.

Sec. 7. Chapter 10 of the General Laws of the Thirtieth Legislature, and any and all other laws and parts of laws in conflict with any of the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 8. The crowded condition of the calendar and the near approach of the time when notaries public are to be appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity requiring that the constitutional rule which provides that bills shall be read on three several days be suspended, and it is so suspended, and that this act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 246, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3366, Chapter 2, Title 62 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relative to the statute of limitation, and providing that actions based upon county scrip shall be commenced and prosecuted within four years after the cause of action shall have accrued, and providing for cancellation of the same, and providing for an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be printed in the Journal.

MEACHUM, Chairman.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on State Asylums, to whom was referred

House bill No. 493, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the purpose of enlarging the Southwestern Insane Asylum, for the segregation of the consumptive insane of the State, and making appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be printed in the Journal.

Bryan, Chairman; Real, Peeler, Holsey, Hayter.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Towns and City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 598, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend the charter of the city of Temple, in Bell county, Texas, passed by the Thirtieth Legislature, and which became a law March 27, 1907, by amending the following sections thereof: Sections 7, 17 and 19 of Article 11, Section 18 of Article 111, Section 3 of Article 5, Section 2 of Article 6, Section 6 of Article 8, Section 4 of Article 10, and Section 4 of Article 11, by adding to Article 11 of said charter, Sections 28 and 29, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Chairman; Cofer, Alexander, Holsey, Terrell of McLennan, Willacy, Peeler.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Towns and City Corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 604, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend the city charter of the city of Greenville, Texas, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Chairman; Alexander, Terrell of McLennan, Willacy, Real, Peeler, Masterson, Cofer, Holsey.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

House bill No. 185, A bill to be entitled "An Act to protect from injury by reason of defectively baled and rebaled cotton, all laborers, workingmen, cotton screwmen, longshoremen and others employed in the work of handling or storing baled cotton, and providing that damages may be recovered of any person violating the provisions of this act by any person injured by reason of the non-compliance with the provisions hereof, and fixing the venue of suits for damages for such personal injuries in the counties wherein such personal injuries occur,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, with the following amendment:

Amend by striking out in Section 3, page 3, the following words between lines 3 and 8, inclusive: "And also the common carriers receiving such defectively rebaled cotton, and it shall be lawful for any such common carrier to refuse to receive such defectively baled cotton."

BRACHFIELD, Acting Chairman.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 459, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for a deputy county superintendent for each of the counties of Harris and Travis, etc., and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Alexander, Chairman; Bryan, Willacy, Harper, Weinert, Real, Hume.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 606, A bill to be entitled

"An Act abolishing the present Hereford Independent School District, and creating another independent school district, to be known as the 'Hereford Independent School District,' within the bounds of the city of Hereford, in the county of Deaf Smith, and State of Texas, and other lands and territory adjacent thereto; the same incorporated as an independent school district for free school purposes only, with all the powers, rights and duties of independent school districts formed by incorporation of towns and villages for free school purposes, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Alexander, Chairman; Bryan, Brachfield, Sturgeon, Real, Weinert, Hume.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 495, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 2, 7 and 31, and repealing Sections 18, 19, 23, 27, 28 and 30 of an act of the Thirtieth Legislature, Chapter 47, Special Laws, entitled 'An Act creating the Eldorado Independent School District in Schleicher county, Texas, and defining its boundaries; providing for the election of a board of trustees thereof and defining their duties, powers and authority; authorizing said board of trustees to levy, assess and collect a tax of not exceeding 25 cents on the \$100 valuation of all property in said district subject to taxation, for the purpose of purchasing or constructing public free school buildings and sites therefor within the district, and for the equipping and furnishing same, and to issue bonds for such purpose, and to levy, assess and collect a tax of not exceeding 50 cents on the \$100 valuation of such property for maintenance and support of its schools; requiring and providing for election on the proposition to levy such taxes and issuance of bonds; providing for the collection for account of said district of the special tax of 20 cents on the \$100 valuation of property in said district levied for the years 1906 and 1907, and investing said district and the board of trustees thereof with all rights, powers and privileges and duties conferred and

imposed by general laws upon independent school districts and the board of trustees thereof formed by the incorporation of a town or village for free school purposes only under general law, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Alexander, Chairman; Real, Harper, Weinert, Sturgeon, Brachfield, Hume.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 585, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Sunset Independent School District, in Montague county, Texas, defining its boundaries, providing for the election of a board of trustees to manage and control the public free schools within said district, investing said district with the rights, powers and privileges and duties of a town or village incorporated for free school purposes only under the general laws, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Alexander, Chairman; Real, Bryan, Willacy, Harper, Hume, Weinert.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 565, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Water Valley Independent School District, in Tom Green county, Texas, and defining its boundaries, providing for the election of a board of trustees thereof, providing for their duties and authority; authorizing the county assessor and collector of Tom Green county to levy, assess and collect taxes not exceeding 25 cents on the \$100 valuation of all property in said district, subject to taxation for the purpose of purchasing and constructing public free school buildings and sites therefor, with the district and for equipping and furnishing the same, and to issue bonds for such purposes, and to levy, assess

and collect a tax not exceeding 25 cents on the \$100 valuation of such property, for the maintenance and support of its schools; requiring and providing for elections on a proposition to levy such taxes and issuance of bonds; providing for the assessment and collection of such taxes and providing for the collection for account of said district of the special tax of 20 cents on the \$100 valuation, investing said district and the board of trustees thereof with all the rights, powers and privileges and duties conferred and imposed by general law upon independent school districts, and the board of trustees thereof formed by incorporations of a town or village for free school purposes only under general laws,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Alexander, Chairman; Real, Harper, Weinert, Sturgeon, Brachfield, Hume.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Stock and Stock Raising, to whom was referred

House bill No. 525, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require the Governor to appoint an Inspector of Hides and Animals for the county of Parmer, and place said county under the provisions of Article 5002 to 5042, inclusive, Revised Statutes of 1895, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Adams, Chairman; Real, Alexander, Willacy, Hudspeth, Bryan, Murray.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Stock and Stock Raising, to whom was referred

House bill No. 567, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require the Governor to appoint an Inspector of Hides and Animals for the county of Oldham, and place said county under the provisions of Article 5002 and 5042, inclusive, Revised Statutes of 1895, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under considera-

tion, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Adams, Chairman; Real, Murray, Willacy, Alexander, Hudspeth, Bryan.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 587, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Montague county, in the State of Texas, and making county commissioners of said county ex-officio road commissioners, and prescribing their duties as such, and providing for their compensation as road commissioners, and defining the powers and duties of the commissioners courts of said county, and fixing the penalty for the violation of this act, and to repeal all laws in conflict with this act,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Acting Chairman; Terrell of McLennan, Paulus, Murray, Peeler, Sturgeon.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 491, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 8 of the Special Laws of the State of Texas, passed at the Regular Session of the Twenty-eighth Legislature, and amending Section 7, Chapter 8 of the laws of the Regular Session of the Twenty-eighth Legislature, being the Eastland county road law,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Acting Chairman; Terrell of McLennan, Sturgeon, Mayfield, Murray, Paulus, Peeler.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads,

Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 416, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 14 of Chapter 49 of the General Laws of the Twenty-seventh Legislature, said Chapter being entitled 'An Act to create a more efficient road system for Fayette, Uvalde and Frio counties, Texas, and making the county commissioners of said counties ex-officio road commissioners, and prescribing their duties as such, and providing for their compensation as such road commissioners, and providing for working of county convicts upon the public roads of said counties, and providing for a reward to be offered for the recapture of an escaped county convict, and taxing said reward and all actual costs of capture and delivery of said convict against said convict, and providing for a penalty for the escape of a county convict, and providing the amount of compensation to be allowed to road hands for teams, plows, scrapers and wagons, and providing for the condemnation of land for public road purposes; providing for the working of delinquent poll taxpayers residing in cities and towns as well as in the country on the roads, and relieving them from the performance of said work by the payment of the sum of three dollars (\$3.00); providing for the ages of male persons liable to serve as overseers and to work on the public road of the county; providing for a special road and bridge tax to be levied for Fayette, Uvalde and Frio counties, and providing further, making this law cumulative of the General Laws, and in case of a conflict this act to govern as to Fayette, Uvalde and Frio counties, Texas, and to repeal special road law, Chapter 54, Act 1891. Twenty-second Legislature, as to Fayette and Frio counties,' by providing the manner in which the road and bridge fund of said counties shall be expended, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Acting Chairman; Terrell of McLennan, Peeler, Murray, Sturgeon, Paulus, Mayfield.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 572, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Hamilton county, and making county commissioners ex-officio road commissioners, and prescribing their powers and duties as such, and providing for their compensation as such road commissioners, and providing for the condemnation of material for the construction and maintenance of public roads, and to provide for the compensation for the material used, and providing for the working of county convicts on the public roads and the purchase of supplies for such convicts, and rewards for the capture of escaped county convicts, and for commutation of sentence for faithful service and good behavior, and defining the powers and duties of road overseers, and to provide for the summoning of hands and teams for road work, and the allowance for time for services of hands and teams on public roads, and fixing a penalty for violation of same, and relieving them from the payment of such work by the payment of \$4.00, and providing further, making this act cumulative of the General Laws now in force, and to repeal all laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Acting Chairman; Mayfield, Terrell of McLennan, Paulus, Peeler, Murray, Sturgeon.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 532, A bill to be entitled "An Act to render more effective and efficient the present road law in the State of Texas in its application and operation in the county of Bastrop, and to authorize and empower the said county to issue bonds for the construction of bridges and construction and maintenance of public roads and highways within said county; providing for the working of county convicts upon the public roads of said county; delegating certain powers to members of the commissioners court; regulating the compensation of certain officers, and repealing House bill No. 521 of the Acts of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Senter, Acting Chairman; Paulus, Peeler, Murray, Sturgeon, Terrell of McLennan.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 9, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred

House bill No. 162, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create and establish a criminal district court in and for the county of Harris, to provide for the election of a judge and clerk thereof."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

WATSON, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 9, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: A minority of your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred

House bill No. 162, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create and establish a criminal district court in and for the county of Harris, to provide for the election of a judge and clerk thereof,"

Have had the same under consideration, and we do not concur with the majority, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

MASTERSON.

(Floor Report.)

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred

House bill No. 360. A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend an Act of the Thirtieth Legislature, entitled 'An Act to reorganize the Fifth Judicial District and the Seventh Judicial District of Texas, and prescribing the time of holding court in the counties composing said districts, and validating process, and providing an emergency,' approved April 15, 1907, so as to change terms

and times of holding courts in Camp, Upshur and Smith counties, and validating processes, etc., and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Watson, Chairman; Willacy, Peeler, Masterson, Paulus, Terrell of Bowie.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 269, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing for surveys within this State for the construction and maintenance of pools, lakes, reservoirs, dams, canals and waterways, and for either or any of them, to prevent overflows, to procure drainage and for the improvement of rivers, creeks and streams by levees, or otherwise; to prevent overflows; to provide for the creation of a State Levee and Drainage Board, and defining and prescribing the duties and powers of said board, and providing for the payment of their expenses; authorizing and empowering said board to appoint a commissioner to be known as State Levee and Drainage Commissioner, defining his powers and prescribing his duties, and authorizing said board to prescribe his further duties not in conflict with this act, and making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of this act, and declaring an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.
WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 280, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it an offense for any person, firm or corporation or association of persons engaged in the sale of spirituous, vinous or malt liquors, or medicated bitters capable of producing intoxication, under the provisions of Article 5060j of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, fail or refuse to file with the clerk of the county court of the county in which his business is trans-

acted, between the first and third days of each month, all prescriptions upon which they have made sales, as provided in said Article 5060j of the Revised Statutes, verified by an affidavit, and to provide a penalty of a fine and imprisonment and forfeiture of license for failure to do so; and to prevent such person, firm, corporation or association of persons from obtaining a new license for period of two years after the forfeiture of same."

And find the same correctly engrossed.
WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 109, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2466, Chapter 3, Title 45 of the Revised Statutes of 1895, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 179, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a special fund for the erection, repair and equipment of buildings at the medical branch of the University of Texas, at Galveston, Texas, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 10, 1909.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 320, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating an independent school district to be known as Corpus Christi Independent School District, including within its limits the municipal corporation of the city of Corpus Christi, and to provide for the creation of a board of trustees thereof, and authorizing the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect special taxes, and conferring upon the board of trustees plenary powers and authority to issue bonds for the purpose

of purchasing school sites and erecting, furnishing and equipping school buildings within the same, and to pay current expenses in the maintenance and support of said schools, and further prescribing the duties and authority of said board, and declaring an emergency,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.
WARD, Chairman.

APPENDIX B.

MONTAGUE COUNTY.

A. J. Sharp.....Montague

BROWN COUNTY.

C. R. Miller.....Brownwood
Duke B. Andrews.....Brownwood
E. B. Hendricks.....Brownwood
C. A. Chambers.....Brownwood
Mrs. N. M. Chambers.....Brownwood
E. J. Miller.....Brownwood
Chas. E. Bowman.....Brownwood
Mark E. Ragsdale.....Brownwood
J. H. Byrd.....Grosvenor

COLEMAN COUNTY.

Jno. R. Havens.....Coleman
J. K. Baker.....Coleman
E. A. McDaniel.....Coleman
A. L. Pearce.....Coleman
Joe Toland.....Coleman
T. H. Strong.....Coleman
F. A. Dibrell.....Coleman
A. F. Martin.....Coleman
A. S. Wester.....Coleman
J. M. Wood.....Coleman
R. V. Wood.....Coleman
J. P. McCord.....Coleman
B. F. Robey.....Coleman
G. D. Hines.....Coleman
M. M. Williams.....Coleman
G. G. Murray.....Coleman
W. Z. Champion.....Coleman
W. L. DeBusk.....Coleman
J. F. Gordon.....Coleman
W. Marcus Weathered.....Coleman
H. L. Livingston.....Coleman
J. A. B. Miller.....Coleman
E. Lois Durfee.....Coleman
Walter C. Woodward.....Coleman
E. M. Critz.....Santa Anna
L. V. Stockard.....Santa Anna
H. E. Williams.....Santa Anna
W. P. Cusenbary.....Talpa
W. J. Sayre.....Talpa
E. Henderson.....Talpa
Sidney Turner.....Talpa
D. E. Mead.....Valero
J. T. Padgitt.....Lea Day
G. V. Murray.....Voss

O. H. Griffiths.....	Voss	Miss Nell Dudley.....	Paris
E. A. Reed.....	Gouldbusk	Rube S. Wells.....	Paris
F. D. Foley.....	Gouldbusk	J. A. Griffiths.....	Lamasco
Jno. T. Gilbreith.....	Gouldbusk	T. J. Price.....	Tioga
A. C. Thompson.....	Rockwood	M. C. Portman.....	Plano
S. H. McCain.....	Whon	R. W. Chapman.....	Nevada
T. W. McCormick.....	Glen Cove	Stanley Crawford.....	Commerce
J. M. Summers.....	Silver Valley	C. J. Debenport.....	Commerce
Eugene Wilson.....	Trickham	T. V. McDonald.....	Commerce
J. B. Priddy.....	Fisk	J. B. McCombs.....	Yowell
Robt. D. Burson.....	Rockwood	C. E. Randle.....	Commerce
Leon L. Shield.....	Santa Anna	S. R. Etter.....	Greenville
J. O. Shield.....	Santa Anna	C. M. Gallagher.....	Wylie
E. M. Cutz.....	Santa Anna	Rufus E. Holsonbake.....	Farmersville
A. W. Shannon.....	Santa Anna	S. S. Long.....	Dallas
A. L. Pearce.....	Santa Anna	Mrs. M. H. Greer.....	Dallas

DALLAS COUNTY.

W. H. Lincecum.....	Dallas	Charlesie Martin.....	Center
Charles E. Gardner.....	Dallas	J. B. Woodfin.....	Timpson
Miss Miriam Porter.....	Dallas	J. N. Campbell.....	Longview
Thos. S. Plowman.....	Dallas	T. D. Campbell.....	Longview
T. C. DeBow.....	Dallas	W. E. Foshee.....	Longview
R. L. Ellis.....	Dallas		
H. M. Eliston.....	Dallas		
J. L. Goggans.....	Dallas		
J. C. Beall.....	Dallas		
Miss Anna F. McKay.....	Dallas		
S. A. Fishburn.....	Dallas		
Joa. Weil.....	Dallas		
W. W. Fisher.....	Dallas		
J. W. Barton.....	Dallas		
J. R. Eldridge.....	Dallas		
Wallace Kelley.....	Dallas		
Ewing Clagett.....	Dallas		
A. A. Cocke.....	Dallas		
R. L. Winfrey.....	Dallas		
C. H. Cooper.....	Dallas		

DALLAM COUNTY.

E. E. Kersey.....	Dalhart
G. P. Stone.....	Conlen
C. B. Hudson.....	Dalhart
Roy W. Thompson.....	Dalhart
Jaa. Logue.....	Claude
Dr. J. A. Coppedge.....	Alanreed

MARTIN COUNTY.

T. B. Hardin.....	Stanton
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VAN ZANDT COUNTY.

R. L. Hayter.....	Grand Saline
B. J. Henry.....	Texarkana
P. C. Beauchamp.....	Texarkana
B. J. Spencer.....	Texarkana
S. T. Wood.....	Queen City
John W. Foscue.....	Sulphur Springs
W. L. Tittle.....	Mt. Vernon
Miss Mattie Williams.....	Cumby
W. A. Wheeler.....	Globe
T. M. Scott.....	Paris
J. J. Early.....	Paris
Clement Few.....	Paris

Miss Nell Dudley.....	Paris
Rube S. Wells.....	Paris
J. A. Griffiths.....	Lamasco
T. J. Price.....	Tioga
M. C. Portman.....	Plano
R. W. Chapman.....	Nevada
Stanley Crawford.....	Commerce
C. J. Debenport.....	Commerce
T. V. McDonald.....	Commerce
J. B. McCombs.....	Yowell
C. E. Randle.....	Commerce
S. R. Etter.....	Greenville
C. M. Gallagher.....	Wylie
Rufus E. Holsonbake.....	Farmersville
S. S. Long.....	Dallas
Mrs. M. H. Greer.....	Dallas
G. A. Nettleton.....	Dallas
J. P. Dubose.....	Canton
S. H. Sanders.....	Center
Charlesie Martin.....	Center
J. B. Woodfin.....	Timpson
J. N. Campbell.....	Longview
T. D. Campbell.....	Longview
W. E. Foshee.....	Longview

NAVARRO COUNTY.

E. N. Johnson.....	Corsicana
Geo. E. Jester.....	Corsicana
T. W. Lovett.....	Corsicana
Hugh Lamar Stone.....	Corsicana
H. C. Stone.....	Corsicana
J. H. Bates.....	Corsicana
T. N. Watkins.....	Corsicana
Richard Mays.....	Corsicana

HENDERSON COUNTY.

W. T. Carroll.....	Athens
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KAUFMAN COUNTY.

Ed. R. Bumpass.....	Terrell
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McLENNAN COUNTY.

R. L. Benley.....	McGregor
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MILAM COUNTY.

Robert P. Kerr.....	Donilla
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BRAZOS COUNTY.

John E. Ettle.....	Bryan
John Daly, Jr.....	Bryan
G. R. Wicker.....	Bryan
A. L. Zenanti.....	Bryan

ROBERTSON COUNTY.

W. C. Allen, Jr.....	Hearne
W. C. Hensley.....	Hearne

ANDERSON COUNTY.

P. W. Braun.....	Palestine
N. H. Phillips.....	Groveton
J. H. Johnson.....	Groveton

W. N. Womack.....Groveton
 Arthur Platt.....Groveton
 W. R. Rogers.....Pennington
 W. G. Holland.....Pennington
 J. H. Purdue.....Glendale
 John W. Chessher.....Chila
 J. T. Bruce.....Saron
 R. J. Ray.....Trevat
 Lee Hutson.....Centralia

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

N. O. Lauve.....Montgomery
 S. N. Beard.....Willis

FORT BEND COUNTY.

W. L. Davidson.....Richmond

HARRIS COUNTY.

F. R. Arey.....Houston
 W. B. Franklin.....Houston
 Genevieve M. Holmes.....Houston
 Carey Towell.....Houston
 L. J. Buchanan.....Houston
 C. E. Hull.....Houston
 E. V. Ley.....Houston
 Edward Coopman.....Houston
 Carl D. Nichols.....Houston
 E. D. McKinzie.....Houston
 C. E. Simmons.....Houston
 W. J. Hyde.....Houston

COLORADO COUNTY.

J. L. Loughridge, Jr.....Eagle Lake
 W. E. Lenhart.....Eagle Lake

LAVACA COUNTY

John Machac.....Hallettsville

TRAVIS COUNTY.

Miss Bertha Eifl.....Austin
 Noyes D. Smith.....Austin
 E. R. Pedigo.....Austin

BURNET COUNTY.

D. E. Fowler.....Marble Falls

LAMPASAS COUNTY.

W. B. Abney.....Lampasas
 J. P. Word.....Lampasas
 W. H. Fountain.....Lampasas

GONZALES COUNTY.

Tom Caperton.....Harwood
 J. T. Mayfield.....Leesville
 A. M. Wade.....Oak Forest
 F. C. Brassell.....Cost

COMAL COUNTY.

L. H. Blevins.....New Braunfels

JACKSON COUNTY.

R. H. Rogers.....Redbluff

WILSON COUNTY.

H. D. Haverlah.....Dewees

HIDALGO COUNTY.

A. J. Gates.....Hidalgo

NUECES COUNTY.

K. W. Jackson.....Kingsville
 J. E. Weir.....Kingsville

CAMERON COUNTY.

Lon C. Hill.....Harlingen

BEXAR COUNTY.

Elizabeth Wollschlaeger...San Antonio
 B. A. Greathouse.....San Antonio
 D. H. Fallen.....San Antonio

MENARD COUNTY.

W. P. Bevans.....Menardville
 W. H. Caldwell.....Menardville
 Mark Cowsert.....Menardville
 J. D. Scruggs.....Menardville
 T. A. Scruggs.....Menardville
 Sam Wallick.....Menardville

TERRELL COUNTY.

J. B. Ross.....Sanderson

EDWARDS COUNTY.

George Field.....Barksdale

TOM GREEN COUNTY.

F. F. Puckett.....San Angelo

EL PASO COUNTY.

John H. Harper.....El Paso
 J. E. M. Howe.....El Paso
 G. J. Terrell.....El Paso

CROCKETT COUNTY.

C. L. Broome.....Ozona

BROWN COUNTY.

Arch Grinnan.....Brownwood

RUNNELS COUNTY.

H. W. Bigler.....Miles
 W. J. McFarland.....Miles
 T. B. Lester.....Miles

COMANCHE COUNTY.

R. I. Wilson.....Comanche
 D. H. Cunningham, Jr.....Comanche

J. C. C. Martin.....Comanche
 J. E. Chilton.....Comanche
 F. L. Little.....Comanche
 J. B. Green.....Bibb
 John W. A. Cox.....Comanche, R. F. D. 4
 H. J. Sanders.....Duster
 R. R. Evans.....Proctor
 Jno T. Jay.....Comanche
 G. R. Hart.....Comanche
 Sterling Price.....Rucker
 C. Rhea.....Hasse
 J. Hatley.....Bibb
 F. M. McDaniel.....Comanche
 J. T. Hughes.....Comanche
 C. H. Stagner.....Sidney
 A. E. Hampton.....De Leon
 Gordon Bagwell.....De Leon
 Evan Barker.....De Leon
 F. L. Terrill.....De Leon
 D. L. Terrill.....De Leon
 C. W. Tusk.....Comanche
 W. B. Baldwin.....Hasse
 William Stanley.....Proctor
 M. A. Hensley.....Energy
 J. O. Ashinurst.....Sipe Springs
 Wallace Wagner.....Hasse
 D. S. Jennings.....Proctor
 N. A. Palmer.....Comanche
 George L. Sullivan.....Sidney
 G. A. Tunnell.....Gustine
 B. F. Graves.....Gustine
 B. J. Pittman.....De Leon
 Oscar Callaway.....Comanche
 Gib Callaway.....Comanche
 J. M. Easley.....Comanche
 H. N. Goodson.....Comanche
 T. S. Ross.....De Leon
 J. R. Eanes.....Comanche
 John Waring.....Comanche
 W. S. Briscoe.....Wilson
 C. L. White.....Gap
 B. R. Onstott.....Wilson
 J. C. Hardin.....Hasse
 D. M. Smith.....Gustine
 Thomas W. Dunlap.....Comanche
 G. E. Smith.....Comanche
 E. H. Mason.....Comanche
 John D. Bingham.....Duster
 G. W. Hall.....Comanche
 S. C. Findley.....Comanche
 J. W. Kelley.....Sidney
 H. R. Lacy.....Sidney

BOSQUE COUNTY.

J. D. Howard.....Mosheim
 Mattie J. Odle.....Meridian

BELL COUNTY.

J. W. Love.....Salado
 W. S. Holman.....Belton

PALO PINTO COUNTY.

Lindsley M. Brown.....Mineral Wells

EASTLAND COUNTY.

C. O. McCauley.....Cisco

TAYLOR COUNTY.

S. S. Harris.....Merkel
 J. P. Daniels.....Abilene

JONES COUNTY.

S. A. Martin.....Stamford
 J. T. Martin.....Stamford

MARTIN COUNTY.

F. O. Aiken.....Stanton

WARD COUNTY.

J. J. Walker.....Barstow

JACK COUNTY.

J. T. Harmon.....

PARMER COUNTY.

J. F. McKay.....Farrell
 D. W. McMillen.....Farrell

HALL COUNTY.

W. A. Johnson.....Memphis
 T. J. Rich.....Memphis

BAYLOR COUNTY.

W. T. Britton.....Seymour

POTTER COUNTY.

F. P. Powell.....Amarillo

WILBARGER COUNTY.

W. D. Berry.....Vernon
 C. R. Smith.....Vernon

BAYLOR COUNTY.

Luther D. Clark.....Graham
 Maye Gilmer.....Graham
 Carrie Finley.....Graham
 Louis Pavlicek.....Bomarton

DALLAM COUNTY.

C. B. Hudson.....Dalhart

CASTRO COUNTY.

C. L. Adams.....Dimmitt

TARRANT COUNTY.

D. W. Maddox.....Fort Worth

DELTA COUNTY.

A. T. Stell.....Cooper
 W. D. Wynn.....Cooper
 J. A. Darwin.....Cooper

J. T. Rountree.....	Cooper
S. C. Unsell.....	Cooper
D. H. Lane.....	Cooper
Charles Naylor.....	Cooper
Newman Phillips.....	Cooper
J. L. Young.....	Cooper
M. C. Wilson.....	Cooper
J. D. Pratt.....	Cooper
B. B. Taylor.....	Lake Creek
Carter Anderson.....	Lake Creek
C. B. Anderson.....	Enloe
J. B. Redue.....	Enloe
J. N. Viles.....	Cooper
S. D. Ross.....	Ben Franklin
Will N. Miller.....	Ben Franklin
J. M. Clower.....	Klondike
Ed Hendricks.....	Charleston
J. C. Jenkins.....	Charleston
H. C. Miller.....	Ben Franklin
Jno. L. Ratliff.....	Cooper
I. B. Lane.....	Cooper
H. L. Combs.....	Vasco
W. A. Cockrell.....	Pecan Gap
G. B. Taylor.....	Pecan Gap
H. W. Miller.....	Ben Franklin
J. R. Raymond.....	Needmore
L. R. Alexander.....	Needmore
J. W. Patterson.....	Gough
Ed Smith.....	Rattan
W. J. Hudson.....	Klondike

HUNT COUNTY.

Bertie Hallowell.....	Greenville
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RAINS COUNTY.

O. E. Nunn.....	Emory
J. W. Montgomery.....	Point

COLLIN COUNTY.

W. R. Abernathy.....	McKinney
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HUNT COUNTY.

C. E. Mead.....	Greenville
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COLLIN COUNTY.

George Hardin.....	Farmersville
W. P. Herron.....	Farmersville
J. R. Dickerson.....	Plano
M. S. Cheerde.....	McKinney

DALLAS COUNTY.

Miss Lillian Hatcher.....	Dallas
Alex F. Weisberg.....	Dallas
W. A. Rembert.....	Dallas
Rhodes S. Baker.....	Dallas
Edward M. Browder.....	Dallas
W. H. Mansfield.....	Dallas
C. M. Witt.....	Dallas
Walter Woody.....	Dallas
L. Q. C. Lamar.....	Dallas
Davis Aldredge.....	Dallas
N. G. Turney.....	Dallas

A. M. Vaughan.....	Dallas
Walter E. Simonson.....	Dallas
J. W. Riley.....	Dallas
Mrs. M. H. Greer.....	Dallas
F. Lee Williams.....	Dallas
H. W. Peck.....	Dallas
T. L. Ferguson.....	Dallas
J. S. Dunlap.....	Dallas
A. S. Exline.....	Dallas
J. J. Fagan.....	Dallas
J. P. Smith.....	Dallas
C. F. Crutcher.....	Dallas
Lafayette Fitzhugh.....	Dallas

CAMP COUNTY.

S. R. Greer.....	Pittsburg
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RUSK COUNTY.

H. C. Hardy.....	Timpson
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KAUFMAN COUNTY.

C. W. Broadfoot.....	Kaufman
Ed R. Bumpass.....	Terrell
Homer L. Thompson.....	Corsicana
R. W. George.....	Blooming Grove

MILAM COUNTY.

R. L. Hale.....	Rockdale
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FALLS COUNTY.

M. O. Mix.....	Chilton
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GRIMES COUNTY.

W. T. Schumacher.....	Keith
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MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

W. H. Reid.....	Montgomery
R. A. Powell.....	Montgomery

HARRIS COUNTY.

J. T. Browning.....	Houston
William Lee Jackson.....	Houston
R. D. MacDonald.....	Houston
F. E. Lahourcade.....	Houston
C. C. Beavens.....	Houston
Otis K. Hamblen.....	Houston
F. E. Russell.....	Houston
John A. Milroy.....	Houston
A. H. Sullivan.....	Houston
M. S. Murray.....	Houston
Emmet Brazelton.....	Houston
John M. Cobb.....	Houston
H. L. Washburn.....	Houston
E. H. Vasmer.....	Houston
B. F. Weems.....	Houston
J. T. Mahoney.....	Houston
Moritz Tiling.....	Houston
W. S. Hunt.....	Houston
Sterling Myer.....	Houston
Sewall Myer.....	Houston
Elbert Roberts.....	Houston
E. I. Kendrick.....	Houston

FORT BEND COUNTY.

M. L. Speed Beasley
M. M. Newell Richmond

WALLER COUNTY.

R. E. Tompkins Hempstead

BRAZORIA COUNTY.

W. H. Graham Velasco
T. M. Smith Columbia

TRAVIS COUNTY.

E. R. Pedigo Austin
Paul Vines Austin
J. F. Clark Austin

WILLIAMSON COUNTY.

Walter Rountree Georgetown

KIMBLE COUNTY.

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R. R. King Segorra

TERRELL COUNTY.

J. B. Ross Sanderson

WINKLER COUNTY.

Wm. R. Vermillion Winkler Co.

REEVES COUNTY.

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JONES COUNTY.

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TAYLOR COUNTY.

Eugene DeBogory Abilene

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J. A. Coppedge Alanreed

DALLAM COUNTY.

E. E. Kersey Dalhart
C. B. Hudson Dalhart
G. B. Stone Conlen
Roy W. Thompson Dallam

ARMSTRONG COUNTY.

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E. P. Powell Amarillo

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Wm. N. Bonner Wichita Falls

JACK COUNTY.

J. T. Harman Bridgeport

HALL COUNTY.

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T. J. Rich Memphis

WILBARGER COUNTY.

L. G. Hawkins Vernon

TARRANT COUNTY.

L. M. Walthall Fort Worth
Brown Harwood Fort Worth
Thomas B. Gilliland Fort Worth
L. Jameson Fort Worth
I. F. Squyres Fort Worth

FORTY-FOURTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas.

Thursday, March 11, 1909.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment,
Lieutenant Governor A. B. Davidson
presiding.

Roll call, quorum present, the follow-
ing Senators answering to their names:

Adams.	Meachum.
Alexander.	Murray.
Brachfield.	Paulus.
Bryan.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Perkins.
Harper.	Real.
Hayter.	Senter.
Holsey.	Stokes.
Hudspeth.	Sturgeon.
Hume.	Terrell of Bowie.
Kellie.	Thomas.
Mayfield.	Ward.